London, Tuesday, August 25, 1998



#### Strike Is Settled as South Korean Automaker Backs Off on Job Cuts

The head of Hyundai Motor Co., Chung Mong Gyu, second from left, shaking hands Monday with the union leader, Kim Kwang Sik, in Ulsan. The antomaker agreed to dismiss 277 workers, a fifth the number it sought to cut. Roh Moon Hyun, a governing party lawmaker, left, and Labor Minister Lee Ki Ho, were present to help in the negotiations. Page 9.

## Arabs Urge UN Inquiry in Sudan Attack

By Howard Schneider Washington Post Service

CAIRO — The Arab League called Monday for a UN investigation of the Sudanese industrial plant that was destroyed by U.S. missiles last week to see if it manufactured

pharmaceuticals, not compounds for chemical weapons.
In a unanimous declaration, approved at an emergency session requested and led by the Sudanese delegation to the group, it also condemned the U.S. missile strike as "an attack on Sudan's sovereignty.'

"Let those who supported the operation understand that they should not underestimate the Arabs," said the Arab League's secretary-general, Esmat Abdel Meguid. "This is a warning for them. Arab nations can act and stand together

when necessary." Though largely symbolic, the statement by the 22-member organization added to the widespread criticism voiced in the Arab world after the missile strike against what U.S. officials concluded were terrorist sites in Sudan and

In Afghanistan, U.S. missiles targeted what were thought to be training and planning bases operated by Osama bin Laden, a Saudi native and exile who has said that it is the duty of Muslims to kill Americans.

The strike in Sudan destroyed a plant that U.S. officials say made "precursor" chemicals for suspected use in chemical

[The United States said Monday that it would consider

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# The Hague Offered for Pan Am 103 Trial

#### U.S. to Press Embargo If Libya Won't Accept

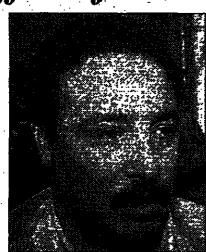
By Steven Erlanger

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Madeleine Albright proposed Monday the creation of a Scottish court in the Netherlands to try two Libyans accused of blowing up Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, a decade ago.
The plan to hold a trial in The Hague.

but under Scottish law and presided over by Scottish judges, was floated by the United States and Britain a month ago. It represents a turnaround for the administration, which had previously said that the Libyans would have to be tried in the United States or in Scotland for the December 1988 bombing, which killed 259 people on the plane and 11 others on the ground.

Mrs. Albright challenged Libya to accept the offer, describing it as a "take it or leave it proposition" for the Libyans and emphasizing that there was no room for negotiation. The proposal was expected to remain on the table for a reasonable but not indefinite period.

It is not clear that Libya will accept the American proposal, although it is close to an alternative the Libyans had proposed. There was no immediate reaction from Libya.





The Libyan intelligence agents Lamen Khalifa Fhimah, left, and Abdel Basset Ali Megrahi are suspects in the 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103.

If Libya fails to deliver the suspects, a senior U.S. official said, the administration would press for a multilateral oil embargo on Tripoli. The official said Washington believed other countries would now be more willing to go along if Tripoli rejected the compromise.

In London, Foreign Secretary Robin Cook urged Libya to cooperate "quickly and without equivocation," and asked the United Nations to seek arrangements for the transfer of the ac-

Mrs. Albright said Monday that the step "is fully consistent with UN Security Council resolutions, and has been suggested to us as a way to call the Libyan government's bluff and to bring

the fugitives into court at long last." 'After consultations with the Netherlands, we have concluded that such a trial is indeed possible. Accordingly, we have decided to go forward with the trial of the two suspects before a Scottish

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# **As Military Cleans House**

Indonesian Army Forced Into Self-Examination

**Suharto Relative Ousted** 

By Seth Mydans New York Times Service

JAKARTA - Pressing ahead with a risky housecleaning that has involved the exhumation of bodies and the investigation of high-ranking officers, the Indonesian military on Monday discharged a son-in-law of former President Suharto who has been implicated in the abduction and torture of political dissidents.

The officer, Lieutenant General Prabowo Subianto, is the former chief of the special forces, known as Kopassus, which gained a reputation for efficiency and brutality. As one of the most aggressive and feared leaders in Mr. Suharto's military, he symbolized for many people the repressive nature of the country's military control.

In announcing his discharge, the armed forces chief, General Wiranto, said General Prabowo, 47, could still face a court-martial as more evidence emerges about the abduction of more than two dozen dissidents earlier this year. At least 14 people are still missing and are feared dead. Human rights groups say General Prabowo could also be implicated in other acts of brutality,

including the instigation of riots, arson and rape in May.

The announcement on Monday drew criticism from a group representing the families of the missing dissidents, illustrating the public pressure and scrutiny that, for the first time in decades, has put the military, known by its Indonesian acronym as ABRI, on the defensive.

"With that decision, ABRI showed no willingness to substantially or institutionally correct its repressive policies, which includes the act of kidnapping," said the group's leader, Munir, who like many Indonesians uses only one name.

General Wiranto said his decision was made "without any pressure from any side or person and it is clearly in the interest of ABRI and that of the nation and the state." He said dismissal was already a harsh punishment for a highranking military officer.

Since Mr. Suharto was forced from office three months ago, the military has embarked on a painful and deep-running self-analysis, under the harsh eye of a newly liberated press.

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# Restoration of Political Peace Tops New Agenda in Moscow

#### An Overture To Communists

By Michael R. Gordon New York Tunes Service

MOSCOW - One day after he was restored to power, the acting prime minister, Viktor Chernomyrdin, promised Monday to forge a new working relationship with the Communist-dominated Parliament

With Russia in the grips of an economic crisis and the nation reeling from

'Oligarchy' fights back. Page 9.

yet another government shakeup, the Kremlin spoke in generalities Monday. But the tone of its message seemed clear. Under Mr. Chemomyrdin, the government would be more solicitous of the demands of Russia's powerful financial oligarchies and more receptive to appeals by the Communist opposition.

'The direction will remain unchanged the development of market relations, said Mr. Yeltsin's spokesman, Sergei Yastrzhembsky. "But in practical terms, Viktor Stepanovich says that we should expect serious changes.

There is, of course, no way Mr. Chemomyrdin can wish away Russia's mountain of troubles. Russia's banks remain on the brink of insolvency.

The nation is still struggling to hammer out a plan to restructure its shortterm debt. Its already devalued currency

may continue to plummet. Mr. Chemomyrdin's predecessor Sergei Kiriyenko, sermonized about the need for Russians to tighten their belts and reduce their expectations to fit the

nation's sober fiscal realities. Mr. Chemomyrdin has also signaled that he wants to keep Russia on its quasicapitalist course. But the Kremlin's emphasis Monday was on soothing political interest groups, not forcing the na-

tion to swallow bitter medicine. The effort to build consensus may prove to be an illusion. Russia, for exumple, lacks the cash to prop up all of its banks and needs to slash a yawning budget deficit. But some free-market proponents expressed concern that Mr. Chemomyrdin would yield too easily to the tycoons who helped engineer his return to power.

Boris Nemtsov, the senior Kremlin aide and former governor of Nizhny Novgorod, said Monday that he would not serve in a Chernomyrdin government because he had concluded that Mr.

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President Boris Yeltsin, right, and his choice for prime minister and successor, Viktor Chernomyrdin, meeting in the Kremlin on Monday.

## Why Germany Is Worried

#### \$30 Billion in Loans to the Russian Economy Send Shudders Through Government and Banks

By Edmund L. Andrews New York Times Service

FRANKFURT — As Russia continued to stagger through its financial crisis Monday, few countries were watching developments with more anxiety than Germany.

German banks are by far the biggest lenders to Russia, with more than \$30 billion in outstanding loans.

.. The German government has guaranteed most of that money and could eventually lose billions if the loans go completely sour.

But beyond the economic concerns, Germans are also worried about the political fallout. Having fought Russia in both world wars and having been trapped for nearly four decades at the epicenter of the Cold War, many Germans are deeply troubled by prospects for a new Russian meltdown.

"The main concern of the govern-ment is on the political side," said Per Fischer, the vice president of Commerzbank in charge of lending to Russia. "We cannot let Russia, a superpower so near to Germany, fall deeper and deeper into crisis."

German political and business leaders rushed Monday to calm the markets and the public. Guenter Rexrodt, minister of economics, quickly announced that the government would continue guaranteeing export loans to Russia as long as Moscow carries out the reforms it has promised the International Mon-

"We all have a strong interest in a sustained stabilization of the situation in Russia." Mr. Rexrodt said. He endorsed "experience and recognition" of Viktor Chernomyrdin, the former and future Russian prime minister. Others were more grim. Juergen

Stark, a senior official in the Finance Ministry, who is becoming a director at the Bundesbank, warned Monday that the crises in Russia and Asia had increased the risks of a global crisis.
"We are in a phase in which the global

financial system is highly vulnerable to a crisis," Mr. Stark said.

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## AGENDA 8 Climbers Die

**On Icy Mont Blanc** LYON (AP) — Eight climbers have died in falls on Mont Blanc in the past two days, after rain left much of Europe's highest mountain dangerously icy.

A German father and son fell several hundred meters to their deaths Monday after a Hungarian climber suffered a fatal fall in the same area Sunday,

A rescue helicopter sighted three other bodies, believed to be those of three missing Italian climbers. A French man and woman also died in separate accidents.

#### Burma Standoff

The Burmese opposition leader, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, returned to her home in Rangoon after having spent 13 days in her car as soldiers blocked her from meeting supporters. But her standoff with the military continued as she pressed for the convening of the Parliament that was elected in 1991 but was never allowed to take office. Page 5.

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# Gingrich Seeks Proof of Clinton 'Pattern'

By Dan Balz Washington Post Service

SANTA MARIA, California -Newt Gingrich, speaker of the House of Representatives, has said the House is likely to seek evidence from all aspects of Kenneth Starr's investigations - not just the results of the inquiry into President Bill Clinton's relationship with

Defense tactics take shape. Page 3.

Monica Lewinsky — before deciding on an impeachment inquiry.

In his most extensive comments about the investigation since Mr. Clinton's speech to the nation early last week, the Georgia Republican said in an interview here Sunday he believed that only a

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pattern of felonies, not just "a single if the upcoming report to Congress was human mistake," could constitute limited to the Lewinsky investigation, as grounds for an impeachment inquiry. "I don't think the Congress could move forward only on Lewinsky unless he had such a clear case, such an over-powering case," Mr. Gingrich said, re-

would be better served to know the He added that the House Judiciary ittee would have "every right" to ask Mr. Start for his findings on the Whitewater controversy and other investigations

ferring to Mr. Starr. "But I think we

some reports have indicated.

"All the independent counsel does is start the process." Mr. Gingrich said.

'He doesn't define it.' The speaker, who is campaigning for House candidates, held out little prospect the question of launching an imeachment inquiry could be determined

Mr. Start's report is expected to reach See CLINTON, Page 3

before the November elections.

Economic Woes Endanger Democrats' Hold on Hawaii

By Michael Janofsky New York Times Service

HONOLULU - For the last seven years, Hawaii has felt the winds of economic change blowing only

one way across the Pacific Ocean. While most of the country has prospered, enjoying job growth, state budget surpluses and contented citizenry — all to the benefit of many political incumbents facing re-election this year — Hawaii

remains a stubborn exception. Here, despite the spectacular vistas of ocean, mountains and lava fields that make tourism the backbone of the state economy, turmoil in Asian financial markets has rocked the island like an unrelenting hurricane. causing a sharp decline in investment, minimal growth in tourism, job loss and public pessimism.

The annual economic growth rate here in recent years has hovered around one-half of 1 percent, which pales beside a national rate that has reached as high as 3.9 percent.

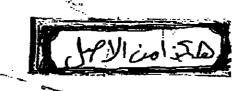
In recent weeks, economists here have detected slight indications that the worst may have passed and that Hawaii could finally be turning a corner - much to the relief of Governor Benjamin Cayetano, the latest in an unbroken line of Democratic governors since Hawaii joined the union in 1959. When he was elected in 1994, he inherited the worst fiscal crisis in state history, and now that the budget has been balanced for two years, he is trumpeting his policies as a major reason to re-elect him in November.

But Mr. Cavetano, the state's first Filipino-American governor, may yet become just another victim of the Asian crisis.

As if the stars over Hawaii's sparkling beaches and ristine waters have suddenly realigned, a Republican, layor Linda Lingle of Mani, is favored to defeat him in November, according to the latest statewide polls. How startling is that? Among the 76 members of the state Legislature, only 14 are Republicans, and across Hawaii, Republicans are outnumbered by such a wide margin that some say they are embarrassed or reluctant to admit their affiliation.

Nonetheless, the enduring sluggish economy seems to be pushing many people beyond a point where party loyalty determines their vote. After four decades of Democratic rule, the state's 1.2 million cople might finally be in for a change There is a growing sense here that Hawaii has

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# In Rural China, a People's Religious Revival

By John Pomfret
Washington Post Service

HENCHUAN, China -- Wang Ahbei, 14 years old and all elbows and knees, knelt on the wood floor, placed her fortune in a flaming urn, knocked her head once on the varnished

planks and prayed to the Niang Niang goddess.

"I believe," said the colush teenager, the conviction of her words emerging strangely from a girl half hiding behind her mother's skirt. "The Niang Niang goddess and the Black Dragon King are strong spirits. They will help me find a good husband one day. They will help me bear a son."

In the scraggly line behind her, scores of farmers, farmers, dauptters, mothers, nershews and nieces.

farmers' daughters, mothers, nephews and nieces clustered close to the goddess - the wooden image of a woman festooned in prayer shawls and painted in

or a woman restooned in prayer snaws and painted in primary colors. The smells of incense and the honest sweat of working men and women filled the room. Outside, a crowd of 15,000 people thronged through this isolated valley in that vast expanse known as "western China." Snake-oil salesmen vied with three opera troupes and a traditional dance company for their attention. Thirty-three fortune-tellers, 55 watermelon sellers, 45 billiard-table operators, countless poodle stalls and a half dozen erators, countless noodle stalls and a half dozen gambling tables lined the road to the shrine.

'The birthday of the Black Dragon King," read a sign. And what a birthday it was.
A journey to this village, 650 kilometers (400

miles) and a world from Beijing, was a journey to a China rarely seen in recent accounts that have stressed the vast country's urban-led economic boom and its mobile-phone-wielding middle class.

Twenty years ago, the activities at the Black Dragon Pool Temple fair this month would have been branded "feudal superstitions" and suppressed.

But today, even though the Chinese Communist

Party officially condemns many of the exotic pas-times here — such as the ritual sacrifices of a goat and a pig and the fortune-tellers - there is little it can do to stop them. China's farmers are asserting their rights to traditional beliefs as never before. In doing so, farmers - who account for 75 percent of the country's 1.2 billion people - are changing China.

The challenges farmers pose to the Chinese state are not openly hostile ones. But in many ways they are as significant as the challenges posed to China's Communist Party by the explosion of wealth and new freedoms in the cities.

The renaissance of traditional culture in the villages means that socialist values have failed to make inroads into the lives of most Chinese people, say Western scholars who study the phenomenon. The Communist Party took over China by winning the support of the peasantry. So what will happen to the party if it loses the farmers' support?

"Maoist thought didn't improve people's nature very much," said Wang Kehua, 57, the head of the Black Dragon Pool Temple. "Basically, it's not too

Around Yulin, a city of about 1 million people in northern Shaanxi Province, where the remnants of the Great Wall dominate windswept bluffs, more than bu major temples. Duu medium-sized ter and thousands of smaller temples have been built or repaired in the last 20 years, according to Western anthropologists who have worked in the region.

In the southern provinces of Fujian and Guangdong, ancestor-worship halls, which are not popular in the north, have sprung up in almost every town, many of



With celebrations like the Black Dragon King's birthday in rural Zhenchuan, farmers in Communist China are reasserting their rights to traditional beliefs.

them funded by money from Chinese living abroad. Shamans and yin-yang masters, who pick propitious sites for buildings and appropriate days for weddings and investments, are popular again in rural China. So are traditional weddings and funerals, complete with cacophonous fireworks,

bands and girls dancing with umbrellas.
"The growth of popular religion since the so-called reforms is really the resumed expression of something that was never destroyed even though it was terribly repressed," said Myron Cohen, a professor of anthropology at Columbia University and one of the world's leading experts on China's popular religions.

HE BLACK DRAGON Pool Temple was built around a natural spring during the Ming Dynasty, nearly 500 years ago. An introduction to the temple says it was built by villagers seeking divine respite from droughts. But in Zhenchuan, the story of the temple's founding is tied to another tale; an immaculate conception and the birth of five dragon kings.

A maiden, the story goes, was washing clothes by a creek when she spied a peach bobbing downstream. She ate it, discovered she was pregnant and was banished by her angry father. Ultimately, she gave birth to five dragons — black, green, yellow, red and white — that emerged from her mouth, nostrils and ears.

The maiden was proclaimed a goddess — the Niang Niang goddess — and became a symbol of fertility. The Black Dragon made his home in the valley that ultimately took his name.

The Communist revolution of 1949 did not im-King. But things worsened during the Cultural Revolution of 1966-76, when the party sought to destroy all that was traditional in Chinese culture.

Villagers from the surrounding People's Commune dismantled the Black Dragon Pool Temple and used its stones and wood to build other structures. The villagers say the spring that fed the temple, sponting waters with allegedly curative properties, dried up and the Black Dragon King went away.

The spring began flowing again in 1980, the story goes, after the Cultural Revolution had ended. A year later, Mr. Wang, an enterprising former schoolteacher, decided to leave a mark on the world by

rebuilding the home of the Black Dragon King.

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While not strictly illegal, his activities were protected by no law. He and bands of peasants from the local People's Commune built a little; the government said nothing, so they built a little more.

In 1982, nine villages formally decided to rebuild the temple. By 1996, they had constructed an open-air stage 30 meters (100 feet) long, a stone amphitheater that can seat 8,000 people, a drum tower, a bell tower, a temple for the Black Dragon King and a temple housing his four dragon brothers and his mother.

In a significant change from China's Communist past, Mr. Wang accomplished these and other changes with no government money and no party support. He relied solely on donations of cash and labor by local farmers. In 1994, Mr. Wang was elected mayor of Zhenchuan. Rural elections have elected mayor of Zhenchuan. Rural elections have been instituted by the Communist Party in recent years to increase its control over the countryside.

But Mr. Wang is not a party member.
"I won because I helped get things done in the village," he said. "It's very simple."

The temple plays a key role in village life -- as a market center and a place to air grievances and search for answers.

Now the temple is bigger than it ever was in imperial times, a fact that is of some concern to ities recently pressured the temple to join one of China's five recognized religions - Roman Catholicism, Protestantism, Islam, Buddhism and Taoism. Mr. Wang picked Taoism but scoffed at party rules that a Taoist priest had to be dispatched to the temple to ensure that superstitious practices were banned.

# Kabila and Allies Block Advance on Kinshasa

Loyalists Say They Have Retaken 3 Towns

KINSHASA, Congo - President Laurent Kabila's forces and their allies squeezed Rwandan-backed rebels on the western front on Monday, blocking their march on the capital Kinshasa and advancing on them from the rear.

Witnesses in Angola's oil enclave of Cabinda reported Angolan troops and tanks crossing into the Democratic Republic of the Congo after the fall over the meskend of the carriers the weekend of the garrison town of Kitona, which was the rebel rear base in

A senior aide to Mr. Kabila said that Angolan troops had retaken Kitona and nearby Moanda and Banana for loyalist forces, and a Reuters correspondent in the war zone said the government troops had apparently blocked the rebel advance on Kinshasa. There was no independent confirmation.

It was Angolan forces which, in fact, took Kitona and the surrounding area. that is, Moanda and Banana," Dominique Sakombi Inongo, Mr. Kabila's communications adviser, told reporters.

Banana is a naval base and Moanda an oil town, with a pipeline supplying fuel to Kinshasa. Mr. Sakombi said that planes from

Angola and Zimbabwe were supporting loyalist forces who were attacking the rebels from two sides in the strategic Congo River corridor linking Kinshasa to the sea.
"What are they going to do?" he asked. "Who will supply them? They are people who are lost. They have no

rear base. They are in disarray."

The rebel's political spokesman, Arthur Z'Ahidi Ngoma, acknowledged have made a strategic pullback," he told

Radio France International. But Mr. Z'Ahidi, who said that the rebels took up arms to fight for de-mocracy in the former Zaire, told the radio that rebel forces had captured the Congo's third city of Kisangani in the jungle interior. "Kisangani is under our

from Bunia.

The rebels hold Bunia, Goma, Bukavu and Uvira, the main towns along the eastern border with Uganda, Rwanda and Burundi.

Rebel commanders had earlier claimed to be as close as 30 kilometers (about 20 miles) from Kinshasa, but better defended than they had expected and that loyalist forces had attacked rebel positions with air strikes.

Zimbabwe has already sent troops to bolster Mr. Kabila's army. Angola, widely suspected of providing Mr. Kabila with troops, planes or logistical sup-port, has declined official comment other than to say it has defense and other accords with the Congo.

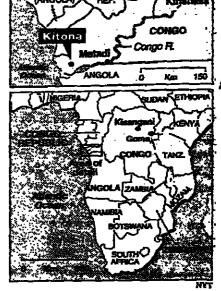
■ Loss of Airport Is Serious Blow

Norimitsu Onishi of The New York Times reported from Kinshasa: The seizure of the airport at Kitona ill prevent the rebels from replenishing their forces, Western diplomatic and transportation experts said, even as rebels approaching the capital are running into Congolese troops assisted by

"It is premature to say that Kinshasa won't fall now, but this is a very difficult situation for them," said a Western dip-

soldiers from Zimbabwe.

Mr. Sakombi, the communications



adviser to Mr. Kabila, credited the Congo's allies with turning the tide for the government in the region southwest of Kinshasa. "We have men and planes from Angola, and we have men and planes from Zimbabwe," he said.

With Kitona recaptured by the government, the rebels also no longer appear to be able to send fresh supplies by air to the southwest, diplomats and transportation company officials said.

The apparent fall of the country's third-largest city is not as significant as it was during the successful rebellion that Mr. Kabila waged two years ago to oust President Mobum See Seko, Mr. Mobutu's 32-year rule of the nation, which he called Zaire, turned one of Africa's potentially richest countries into one of its poorest.

#### Pregnant Smokers total control," he said. Mr. Sakombi said he could not confirm that Kisangani had fallen but said that there had been fighting there. He blamed Ugandan troops advancing Babies, Study Show Babies, Study Shows

WASHINGTON - Women who smoke while pregnant appear to pass a potent carcinogen to the babies developing in their wombs, according to re-

"These results demonstrate a signifa winding with smokes, said Stephen Healt of the University of Minnesota Cancer Center, who led the research.

Mr. Hech analyzed the first urine

samples collected from 48 babies of smokers and nonsmokers in Germany. seeking NNK, a carcinogen found only in tobacco products, and NNAL and NNAL-Gluc, two by-products of NNK

after it has been processed by the body.
"We found that the positive samples were only from the newborns of mothers who smoked," Mr. Hecht said. Of the 31 samples from children whose: mothers smoked during pregnancy, 22: contained NNK, NNAL or NNAL: Gluc. Babies of nonsmokers had none of:

those substances in their urine, he said? NNK, which is from the family of cancer-causing agents known as nitrosa-: mines, is not the only carcinogen in to-: bacco smoke, but it is especially power: ful. It can cause adenocarcinoma, a lung cancer found largely in smokers. Studies. have also shown that it can be passed from mother to offspring in animals. .....

# Wanda Horowitz, Musical Daughter and Wife, Dies

By Marilyn Berger New York Times Service

NEW YORK - Wanda Toscanini Horowitz, who played a unique supporting role in this century's musical life, died Friday at her Manhattan home. She was 90. For almost all her life she was at the

center of a world that lionized her father, Arturo Toscanini, and adored her husband, Vladimir Horowitz. To be the daughter of Toscanini, I

didn't have any merit because I could have been born to anybody," she once said. "But to be the wife of Horowitz, in that I take a little bit of pride." She was married to Mr. Horowitz for 55 years, a period during which he was

hailed as perhaps the greatest pianist ever, even when he withdrew and refused to play in public.
When Mr. Horowitz died, on Nov. 5, 1989, Leonard Bernstein paid tribute to Mrs. Horowitz. "I send you loving sympathy, but let me add my admiration for

you and your long years of devotion to this amazing man," he wrote. "He was not only a super-pianist but a super-musician with all the mental fallibilities such geniuses have. You cared for him and guarded him through a series of neurotic crises the world may never know nor understand, and you returned him to us time and again, refreshed, renewed and ever greater. In an interview shortly before Mr.

Horowitz's death, Mrs. Horowitz said: "I went with him through very difficult times. For 12 years he was not playing and for 12 years I heard, 'I will never play again, and I kept silence. I never said, 'Ōh, yes, you have to play.' I never prompted him, pushed him to play."

She wore a permanent scowl and was famous for her fiery temper. Once she exploded at a reporter who asked about her life with Mr. Toscanini and Mr. Horowitz: "Don't talk to me about them. My father made me neurotic, and my husband made me crazy."

militants to attack Israeli and U.S. targets, including airlines, in retaliation for the U.S. strikes in Afghanistan and Su-But she rejected the thought that she dan, the Airport Authority said. (AP)

because still people know me," she said, just weeks before Mr. Horowitz died. "I have my own personality. But now, at this point in life, I wish I would have done something for me." "If you ask me what I would have liked to do," she added, "I had a lovely,...

had lived in the shadow of the great

musicians. "No, not in the shadow,

small voice. I can act, because I have a very severe face but I can be very funny. I have a great sense of humor. And I

used to dance very well." She added: "I

TRAVEL UPDATE

KLM's British Airline

Plans to Reduce Fares

LONDON (Bloomberg) -- KLM uk,

the regional carrier owned by KLM

Royal Dutch Airlines, said Monday that

it would reduce fares on domestic and

international routes to compete with Go,

the low-cost carrier of British Airways. Separately, KLM sought an injunc-

tion to prevent some of its pilots from

striking in support of a planned work

stoppage by pilots at Northwest Airlines, KLM's biggest partner.

Sixty-seven TransAsia Airways pi-

lots assigned to turboprops on the Tai-

wan airline's domestic routes resigned

Monday to protest pay cuts and the

dismissals of four co-workers. (AP)

Air France said it had signed a co-operation agreement with Middle East

Airlines under which each will offer

easier connections to international des-

tinations from the other's flights. (AP)

ports in response to threats by Islamic

Israel is tightening security at air-

could have done a little bit of dancing or singing, to be, you know, an operetta singer. That was my aim. She was only in her teens when she

gave up her hopes of being a performer, although she was the most musically talented of the Toscanini children. She took piano lessons and singing lessons and was fairly good at both. But "fairly good" was not good enough in the l'oscanini family.

"I remember I used to play an upright piano," she recalled. "On top there was

The Associated Press

churned up the Atlantic Monday,

prompting people from Florida to North Carolina to stock up on emer-

gency supplies. Two swimmers

drowned and dozens had to be res-

The governor of South Carolina

urged tourists not to worry but

called on the National Guard to get

ready for Bonnie, and surfers in

several states flocked to ride the

The hurricane, with winds of 115

miles an hour (185 kilometers an

hour), capable of causing severe

coastal flooding and serious damage

to buildings and homes, has been wobbling northwest at 5 mph. The

center said a hurricane watch may be

issued for a portion of the south-eastern U.S. coast later Monday.

On Hatteras Island, North Car-

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#### THE AMERICAS

# The Legalistic Contours of Clinton's Perjury Defense Begin to Emerge

By Peter Baker, Ruth Marcus and Susan Schmidt Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - In January, he said he did not remember being alone with her and never had an affair with her. Last week, he said they had a halfdozen sexual encounters.

In January, he did not recall any specific gifts he gave her. Last week, he named at least three he presented just after Christmas.

In January, he was not sure he talked with her about testifying other than making a joke about it. Last week, he said they discussed how to respond to a

President Bill Clinton, famed for a razor-sharp political memory, was uncharacteristically forgetful when he was questioned under oath in the Paula Jones civil case this winter about his relabonship with Monica Lewinsky. Seven months later, forced to justify those enswers during unprecedented testimony in a grand jury criminal investigation by the independent connsel. enneth Starr, the president's memory

But in those vague and what Mr. Glinton now admits were misleading answers in January lie the contours of his defense against accusations of per-

jury and obstruction of justice. The bottom line, according to some advisers, is this: Yes, he deceived, obfuscated and evaded. No, he was not forthcoming or fully truthful. But technically, they maintain, he did not lie. And even if he did, it should not matter legally because it was an irrelevant line of questioning in an illegitimate lawsuit that was even-

tually thrown out of court. As details continue to emerge about his account following the questioning last week, presidential advisers ac-knowledge that they are beginning to shape a Clinton defense strategy that relies heavily on nuance, ambiguity and

"What everybody is doing is looking for defenses," said one lawyer close to the Clinton team.

With the independent counsel writing a report to the House of Representatives on possible impeachable offenses, what is known of the evidence against Mr. Clinton so far turns largely on what was said in private conversations, statements that his defenders argue are open to interpretation or, at worst, amount to he-said-she-said disputes. To allies, Mr. Clinton's testimony in the Jones case was so fuzzy that it amounted to what one called legal "Jello."

Beyond words, the most tangible elements of a possible obstruction case are the retrieval of presidential gifts from Ms. Lewinsky to avoid a Jones subpoena last December and the job search instigated on her behalf by Clinton associates at the same time she was considering how to testify in the Jones case. In both instances, the president's advisers maintain that there is no solid evidence of illegal involvement by Mr.

Mr. Clinton insisted last week that his answers during the Jan. 17 deposition were "legally accurate," resting on the semantic argument that the definition of "sexual relations" used in the Jones case did not include oral sex.

Even if that were accepted and even if he could somehow explain Ms. Lewinsky's testimony that they also fondled each other in ways that would be covered by the definition, the president's admission that they engaged in sexual activities could expose him to possible perjury land mines in other areas of the deposition as well.

For example, regardless of whether their sexual relationship fit the Jones definition, how could he have testified in January that he had "no specific recollection" of ever being alone with Ms. Lewinsky in the White House? And having now recalled giving her an Alaskan stone carving, a throw rug and a pin three days after Christmas last year,

weeks later that "I don't remember a specific gift"?

To constitute perjury, the person making the statement must know it is false and it must be "material" to the case at hand - that is, capable of influencing the proceeding in which it was made. Statements that are evasive and misleading do not constitute perjury as long as they are technically true; courts have said it is up to lawyers to make their questions precise.

Defenders of the president argue that any misstatements did not constitute perjury because they were not material to the Jones lawsuit. A federal judge, concluding that Ms. Lewinsky was not central to the case, later excluded any additional evidence about her from being collected to avoid interfering with Mr. Starr's investigation, and eventually dismissed the lawsuit entirely.

While you may say he wasn't candid about what went on in the Paula Jones deposition, it still comes back to the fact that it wasn't material to the Paula Jones case," said a lawyer close to the Clinton camp. "It may not have been the most candid version, but it wasn't perjury."

Some courts have held that materiality of a statement is judged at the time it is made, not in light of later

generally has applied a low threshold for judging what statements are material. Moreover, the materiality argument would not apply if Mr. Starr were to conclude that Mr. Clinton committed

perjury during his grand jury testimony last week. Mr. Starr's investigators have focused increasingly on gifts Mr. Clinton gave Ms. Lewinsky, including a T-shirt, pin and book of poetry, and how they were handled during the Jones lawsuit. In their private deliberations, Clinton advisers appear most concerned about the gifts because they might provide the

Jones legal team. 'The obstruction or concealment of materials that have already been subpoenaed and are known to be under subpoena is one of the classic cases of obstruction of justice," said Gerard Lynch, a law professor at Columbia University.

most concrete evidence of impeding the

In their testimony, Mr. Clinton and Ms. Lewinsky agreed that they discussed the gifts and how to respond to a subpoena to turn them over to Mrs. Jones's lawyers. According to sources familiar with their accounts, the president testified that he had told her she had to turn over what she had, while she testified that she had heard him say she

how could be have testified just three events. The federal appeals court here did not have to turn over anything that was not in her possession.

Shortly after their conversation, Ms. Lewinsky reportedly testified, Mr. Clinton's personal secretary, Betty Currie, contacted her, saying she understood that the young woman had something for her, and went to Ms. Lewinsky's Watergate apartment to collect the gifts.

'Retrieving gifts from somebody is a very unusual thing to do and it's hard to imagine what innocent explanation of that could be offered," said Bradford Berenson, a Washington criminal defense lawyer. "If the president instruc-ted that evidence be hidden so that the Jones lawyers would not get their hands on it, he's committed a very serious

Mr. Clinton denied during his testimony that he had ordered Mrs. Currie to retrieve the gifts and said during his televised speech to the nation that he had never asked anyone "to hide or destroy evidence." It remained unclear, though, how Mrs. Currie came to approach Ms. Lewinsky to collect the gifts if she was not told to by the president.

The president's defense again comes down to interpretation and intent. If Ms. Lewinsky misconstrued him, his defenders argue, then the president cannot be blamed because he did not mean to encourage any obstruction.



IT'S NO LOCK - With polls showing a dead heat, workers urge the re-election of President Ernesto Perez Balladares in Panama.

#### **AMERICAN TOPICS**

#### Whose Little Lamb Are You?

The words have been flying fast and angry between two small towns in New Hampshire, both of which lay claim to a famous little lamb whose fleece was white as snow.

The residents of both Sterling and Newport say history supports their conflicting claims to have originated the ditty that begins "Mary had a little lamb," the impassioned tale of a lovely schoolgirl and the anguish she encounters when she daringly bends the rules one day and allows her pet to follow her to school.

People in both towns "actually get red in the face" over Mary, a local historian told The Boston Globe.

According to Sterling's official town history. the Mary in question was one Mary Sawyer, born in that town in 1806, and the poem came from the pen of a young boy, John Roulstone, who witnessed the lamb-driven events one day when Mary was 9.

The auto magnate Henry Ford was so convinced that this version was correct that he purchased the schoolhouse that was the site of Mary's "crime" and moved it to a nearby inn he owned. A statue of the lamb stands in the town common. That version is disputed by residents of New-

A distinguished poet native to that town, Sarah Josepha Hale, actually published the poem in 1830, they say. She later signed a sworn document confirming that the story was her invention. Hale, incidentally, later led the campaign to make Thanksgiving a national holiday. So, who owns bragging rights to the lamb,

Sterling or Newport? Perhaps neither. Area scholars, working on a definitive history, have tracked down a nearly identical British version of the poem, predating Hale's, about a "Lucy" and her little lamb. Now, some involved in the debate are feeling a mite

#### sheepish. Short Takes

Some school boards are considering banning hand-held laser pointers. The devices, discreetly palmed, can focus a small red dot of light on people's clothing, movie screens — and schoolroom blackboards. "Dotting" has angered or irritated some of its victims, and left others, particularly police officers, momentarily fearful since it resembles the dot from a laser gun sight. In New York, more than 60 laser-beamers have been arrested this year on misdemeanor charges of "menacing." Doctors say the beam, if trained directly on the eye for several seconds, can

On sidewalks and boardwalks in many Califormia towns, cyclists and in-line skaters risk being ticketed if they exceed posted speed limits of 5 to 15 miles an hour (8 to 24 kilometers an hour). Some locals scoff at the laws, saying the police should be paying more attention to gang problems or drug use. One Newport Beach woman contested her ticket, saying there was no way for a skater to judge her speed. Authorities, however, say serious accidents have resulted from collisions between skaters; cyclists and pedestrians, leading to broken bones and even skull fractures.

Brian Knowlton

#### Away From Politics HAWAII: State's Economic Woes Portend a Political Tidal Wave of Change

driving fell to a record-low proportion last year, but still accounted for more than a third of all fatalities. There were 16:189 alcohol-related traffic deaths in tralized, absolute power," said 1997, or 38.6 percent of the total, the Transportation Department said. That was a decrease of about 1,000 deaths from 1996, when drunken driving was of the state bar association. trol," said Seija Naya, a former owed other disturbing developresponsible for 40.9 percent of the

42:065 fatalities. The Food and Drug Administration ture. has approved a revolutionary treat-ment for the debilitating bowel disorder Crohn's disease. The cure is a biologically engineered antibody that attacks a protein responsible for much of the patients' misery. Centocor Inc.'s inflixiffiab is a part-human, part-mouse antibody, to be sold under the name Remicade.

 A woman was arrested on suspicion of attempted murder after she was found at a post office with more than 100 envelopes containing bags of deadly sodium cyanide disguised as musupplements. Kathryn Schoonover was arrested in Marina del Rey, southwest of Los Angeles. The envelopes were addressed to people across Southern California and as far away as New York.

· Less than a day before he was to be married, a 20-year-old man from Wantage Township, New Jersey, was killed in a highway crash as his bride to be followed in a separate car. Andrew Robjohns was on his way home from decorating the wedding hall when he lost control of his vehicle.

• A performance artist who set him-self afire in New York City as part of his act at a tattoo parlor accidentally ignited a piece of stage equipment and sent it tumbling. The performer, Karl Edwards of Manhattan and three people in the audience suffered first-degree and second-degree burns.

 A pontoon-boat water taxi capsized as it crossed the Hudson River near Nyack, New York, with 28 people on board, and an 81-year-old man drowned. The boat was shuttling people between restaurants on opposite banks when the accident happened. The boat hit a strong current that sent water splashing over the bow and the captain ordered several people to move to the stern. Then the bow rose out of the water and the craft flipped.

A leader of a Sikh temple opened Offire after a prayer service in Fort Land-erdale, Florida, killing a man, wounding two others and taking his own life in an apparent dispute over whether to allow chairs in a worship area for the elderly

Randy Roth, a law professor at the banks. University of Hawaii here on the "Monopoly of political power has cut off all debate, and that has evolved into the political cul-

local radio talk show for five years, receive approvals." became so impressed with Ms. Lingle that he abandoned his neutrality last week to endorse her and

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The Japanese investors barely recession set in.

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Hawaii until the collapse of the year their original cost. And no longer at the state's military bases. The Union or North Korea with its cen- in the early 1990s ended years of do Asian investors knock on doors heavy investment by Japanese of fancy homes and offer the owner

> "This was a boom period, and spot, as they once did. bank economist who is now di-

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The Asian withdrawal overshadments. Production of sugar and rector of the state's Department of pineapple, once staples of the state economy, has been falling for deand Tourism. "They added more cades as the Philippines and Carib-Mr. Roth, whose nonpartisan-ship allowed him to moderate a made it harder for businesses to cheaply. Only a few plantations are still operating, and the number of agricultural jobs in the state decreased by 36 percent, to 7,200 last year from 11,300 in 1982.

overall number of federal employees in Hawaii has fallen by almost a quarter, to 74,119 in 1996 from a

high of 97,853 in 1988. Mr. Cayetano, 57, a lawyer and former state legislator, has worked hard to blunt the impact of the Asian crisis.

In an interview at the Capitol last week, he recited a long list of accomplishments, saying he has reduced the size of government by 500 people, cut the state's personal income tax for the first time, increased spending on marketing efforts to attract visitors to islands other than Oahu, and created novel incentives like eliminating landing fees for airlines to attract new carriers to the state.

"We have made some hard decisions that have hurt us politically," he said. "But that's the way it is."

Ever so slowly, his policies are beginning to help nudge the state forward again. Tourism from the mainland is rebounding, compensating for Asian visitors who are staying fewer days and spending less money. Unemployment is starting to drop. New small busi-nesses are opening. An embryonic high-technology industry is emerg-

But those changes have done little to dampen growing support for Ms. Lingle, who is attracting people in both parties who say that Mr. Cayetano and the Legislature have done too little too late to make

any meaningful recovery possible.

Ms. Lingle, 44, a native of St.

Louis who came to Hawaii in 1976 as a journalist, has been the mayor of Mani for the last eight years. Her opponent in the Sept. 19 primary, Frank Fasi, a former mayor of Honolulu, is not viewed as a serious threat.

In part because her island is favored as a vacation spot more by Americans than Japanese, Maui has resisted much of Hawaii's economic downturn. The number of jobs on Maui has increased in five of the last six years, enabling Ms. Lingle to sharpen her attack on changed to protect the secrecy of Democratic policies that have not done more to help the state econ-

> school in a middle-class suburb east of Honolulu. "It's time for a change, and change is about joining across the country,'

#### POLITICAL NOTES

#### Court Bars Census Sampling

Clinton administration a major defeat Monday, ruling that the U.S. Census Bureau may not use statistical sampling

in compiling a national head count for the 2000 census. The special three-judge panel unanimously sided with House of Representatives Republicans, who filed a lawsuit challenging the Census Bureau sampling plan to produce the population figures, which are used to draw political boundaries.

The Census Bureau argued that it could produce the most accurate numbers by combining its traditional headcounting methods with a statistical sample, a process that most likely would add population to cities and other areas that tend to vote Democratic.

"This court finds that the use of statistical sampling to determine the population for purposes of the apportionment of representatives in Congress among the states violates the Census Act," Judge Royce Lamberth of the

#### Ashcroft Gearing Up to Run

WASHINGTON - Senator John Ashcroft of Missouri, an undeclared candidate for the Republican presidential nomination in 2000, will issue a national economic plan this week that calls for big tax cuts, a reduction in the size of government and a 30-year plan to eliminate the national debt.

Mr. Ashcroft's blueprint is another indication of how rapidly the Republican nomination fight is developing. Lamar Alexander, the former governor of Tennessee, has been running television ads this month promoting his plan for a tax code that reflects "the values of parents raising children." Steve Forbes, the magazine publisher, has aired ads for months. Dan Quayle, the former vice president, and Gary Bauer of the Family Research Council have put organizers into Iowa and New Hampshire.

Mr. Ashcroft will promote his program with \$175,000 worth of television advertising in Iowa, site of the nation's first presidential caucuses. Having already made inroads among some social conservatives in the party, Mr. Ashcroft plans to use the plan to reach out to economic conservatives.

The senator said his program is designed to address the country's needs in an era of budgetary surpluses and an information-age economy and to promote the values of marriage and family.

#### That Was Then, and This Is Now

EDGARTOWN, Massachusetts - A year ago this week, President Bill Clinton was visibly enjoying himself on picturesque Martha's Vineyard island — with a seemingly endless diet of golfing, jogging, party-going and even sailing. He and his wife, Hillary, were everywhere, smiling broadly, obviously having fun.

This year, the setting is the same, but both the mood and the Clintons' visibility are dramatically altered. Apart from his sudden one-day return to Washington following the U.S. missile strikes against alleged terrorist bases in Afghanistan and Sudan, the president has essentially been staying at home.

Except for a small, private dinner the Clintons attended Saturday night, they have been nowhere to be seen. The White House press secretary, Michael McCurry, had made clear from the beginning that one of the things the president hoped to accomplish during his two-week stay here — shortened from the three weeks he spent last year - was to bring about some "healing" in his marriage and his family relations.

That effort was derailed Thursday and Friday by the missile strikes, but Mr. McCurry said over the weekend that the president was once again back to "working on" it. "They are doing that in private," he added. "I'm not going to give you a play-by-play account."



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#### Since 1991, many hotels and The federal government also join the campaign as a volunteer.

Officials Bemoan Scandal-Fostered Drift

By Robert Pear and Lizette Alvarez New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - When President Bill Clinton began his speech acknowledging a relationship with had a sense of "lost opportunities and missed op-Monica Lewinsky, many federal officials were hoping it would put an end to the distractions and government of the last seven months.

housing and health care, AIDS and international problems said they had experienced a kind of collective shudder. A few felt personally offended by the president's unsavory relationship with Ms. Lewinsky, who had been a 21-year-old intern at the White House and

whose link to the president was made irrefutable by his admission. But most simply expressed profound disappointment, more professional than personal. Their faith shaken, many of these officials said they now faced

en not just Mr. Clinton's legacy but his administration's muscle.

Christopher Jennings, a White House aide who coordinates health policy for the president, said he

"We're frustrated that this has distracted from our malaise that have affected much of the work of ability to push his agenda," he said. "We are disappointed in him for contributing to his problems Instead, policy mavens working on issues like in this area."

For an administration characterized by its relative youth and verve, the presidential speech Aug. 17, with its blend of confession and defiance, seemed to exhaust and bewilder. "Everyone here is best described as sort of numb, and dismayed," Mr. Jennings said.

'Months and months have been wasted," said Ezekiel Emanuel, the chief bioethics officer at the National Institutes of Health.

He added that there has been "a lot of drift" since the first accusations of sex and lies in the White a potential sustained fallout that threatened to weak- House.

## CLINTON: Gingrich Says Report Must Have Wide Base

Continued from Page 1

Congress sometime in September. Mr. Gingrich said the Judiciary Committee, under the chairmanship of Representative Henry Hyde, Republican of Illinois, must carefully review Mr. Starr's findings in private before reaching any conclusion on recommending a formal impeachment proceeding. "I'm not at all sure you can get

to that this year," Mr. Gingrich said "And I'm not at all sure that it's a smart idea to try to get to that

Mr. Gingrich said the House should move cautiously as it makes investigation." any decision about an impeachment inquiry because of the turmoil it could cause in the country.

Public opinion surveys show that Lewinsky issue, he added: "So the under oath about his relationship with Ms. Lewinsky. "It's not that they're tolerant," Mr. Gingrich said. "It's that they have a very

But Mr. Gingrich said he does not existed," he said, if "you didn't have three and a half years of prior

Noting that it was Attorney Gen-

eral Janet Reno who expanded Mr.

wise sense that once you start down

that road, it's very complex."

a strong majority of Americans are question you have to ask is yourself opposed to impeaching the president—even if they believe he lied formed of that convinced her that this was significant?" Mr. Gingrich said again that his plan was to turn the Starr report over to Mr. Hyde once it was sub-

mitted and House rules were

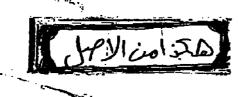
the evidence. believe what happened in the Lewinsky case occurred in a vacuum.

"I think the Lewinsky investigation by itself would never have tigation by itself would never have book, "will probably be available"

The speaker said he believed the omy.

"This is a turning point in our history," she told a rally of about 600 voters last week at a high The speaker said he believed the to the public.

But Mr. Gingrich stressed that the accompanying evidence, which he said could fill many boxes - the other 49 states with economic "just an amazing amount of ma- revitalization that is taking place all Starr's authority to take on the terial" - would be kept secret.



# Sudanese Leader Believes Bin Laden Will Strike Back at U.S.

By Jane Perlez New York Times Service

KHARTOUM, Sudan — The man who is the driving force of the Islamic regime that gave Osama bin Laden to retaliate against the United States.

'When you start fortifying your embassies it becomes very attractive — the Americans have made themselves very attractive targets, "Hassan Turabi, a Sorbonne-educated intellectual who agrees interview. "Probably, he would try to of a precursor for nerve gas. mobilize friends — ex-Afghan fighters In a line of argument used by officials

sites in Sudan and Afghanistan that it and accused it of "hating Islam."

By Steven Lee Myers

maceutical plant in Sudan, the Clinton

making of VX, a deadly nerve agent The administration has so far declined

to lay out its evidence publicly except to

say there was "physical evidence" of the precursor chemical at the factory.

Memorial to

Jews on Hold

By William Drozdiak

BERLIN — Fearful that the darkest

chapter in the nation's history would be

dragged into a tense election campaign,

Germany on Monday postponed a con-

monument could be ready by the time

On Monday, Mr. Kohl and Mr. Diep-

gen announced that the fate of the Holo-

caust memorial would be determined

after the national election on Sept. 27.

The delay reflects continuing dissatis-

faction with the favored design, con-

ceived by the architect Peter Eisenman

and the sculptor Richard Serra, which

calls for a graveyard-like labyrinth of

more than 2,000 concrete pillars

scattered over a five-acre (two-hectare)

decision for the monument to murdered

European Jews to be dragged into the election campaign," said Michael-Andreas

Butz, the city government spokesman. "In

light of the international significance, we

'It would be irresponsible to allow the

site near the Brandenburg Gate.

decision out of the campaign."

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century world capital.

chemical weapons.

about the U.S. missile attack on a pharence in the plant.

Officials Say U.S. Obtained Critical Chemical

WASHINGTON - Facing questions known use that would explain its pres-

administration has offered more details an industrial area of the Sudanese cap-

linking the factory to the production of ital, Khartoum, and a paramilitary train-

believes are financed by Mr. bin Laden, a wealthy Saudi believed to be linked to the bombing attacks on the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania.

Mr. Turabi, the speaker of Parliament and ideological power behind the govrefuge here for two years said Sunday erning National Islamic Front, is actual the believed Mr. bin Laden would try cused by U.S. intelligence officials of having an important political and fi-nancial relationship with Mr. bin

Like other officials in the Sudanese government, Mr. Turabi dismissed the U.S. contention that a pharmaceutical facwith much of the militant Mr. bin tory here was financed by Mr. bin Laden

from Arab countries — and try to hit back against the Americans. Anywhere."

of his government since the U.S. missile attacks, Mr. Turabi branded the United anst me Americans. Anywhere, arracks, Mr. Turabi branded the United The United States last week attacked States a "terrorist" nation for its attack

The officials declined to name the

Mr. Turabi, who serves tea to guests in tain, as well as the Saudis, that Mr. bin pany built a new road from Khartoum to oral china cups but is about as vocal in Laden depart. Mr. bin Laden had been a halfway point to Port Sudan, but it is floral china cups but is about as vocal in Laden depart. Mr. bin Laden had been his contempt for the United States as Mr. bin Laden, claimed to have met Mr. bin Laden "only once or twice" in Sudan. He said he had not been in contact with Mr. bin Laden since he was asked to leave here in 1996.

But he seemed to know Mr. bin Laden well enough to describe him as having a 'belligerent' temperament and being a man of few words and "a fighter."

He insisted that Mr. bin Laden was not involved in training Islamic fighters at camps in Sudan, as the Americans have Laden's view of the world, said in an and served as a cover for the manufacture interview. "Probably, he would try to of a precursor for nerve gas." of pressure from Saudi Arabia.

In an apparent effort to clean up its reputation as a harborer of terrorists, the Sudanese government acceded to requests from the United States and Bri-

exiled from his Saudi homeland in 1994 after calling for a holy war against the his business interest here when be left government. He is a suspect in the bombing of two U.S. military installations in Saudi Arabia that killed 24 Americans in 1995 and 1996.

Mr. Turabi, a lawyer who masterminded a military coup here in 1989, described retaliation by Mr. bin Laden against the United States as entirely justified. "You respond as violently as the violence," he said.

According to one estimate here, it was likely that Mr. bin Laden brought as much as \$500 million to Sudan when he came in 1994. One of his most important contributions was a \$300 million credit line, a well-informed aca-

Mr. bin Laden's construction com-

unclear whether he divested himself of

During his two years in Khartoum, Mr. bin Laden lived in a newly built, large and comfortable two-story brickand-stone house with a tiled roof in the well-to-do neighborhood of Ryadh.

A neighbor, a retired diplomat who spoke on the condition of anonymity, said that Mr. bin Laden was punctilious about attending the nearby dun-colored mosque with a turquoise minaret five times a day for prayer. He arrived in Sudan with four wives, the neighbor said, all of whom dressed in the most conservative black Islamic robes that covered their entire faces. The family had about 10 children, with the eldest boy about 18, the neighbor said.

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#### **Boesak Denies** Charges of Fraud

CAPE TOWN — Allan Boesak, once a prominent figure in the struggle against white minority rule in South Africa, pleaded not guilty. Monday to charges that he stole; money intended for the anti-apartheid cause.

At the start of a trial expected to last at least three months, Mr. Boesak sat impassively as the state prosecutor, J. C. Gerber, read out 32 charges of fraud and theft totaling, nearly 1.1 million rand, which at the time was the equivalent of about \$300,000.

Mr. Boesak, a former minister who once headed the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, is accused of stealing cash from the Foundation for Peace and Justice, which he op-erated from 1988 to 1994. Donations, came from the American pop singer Paul Simon, the Coca-Cola Foundation, Scandinavian aid agencies and others.

Freddie Steenkamp, Mr. Boesak's bookkeeper at the foundation, was sentenced last year to six years in prison after pleading guilty to embezzlement. During his trial, Mr. Steenkamp testified that he was only following Mr. Boesak's example. Mr. Boesak has paid back some of the missing money. (AP)

#### Israel Said to Ease: Pullout Condition

JERUSALEM - Israel bas) softened its position on a key condition for withdrawing from more land in the West Bank, an Israeli official said Monday.

According to the official, who, asked not to be identified, Israel and

U.S. negotiators that it would now agree to start the withdrawal process without a new meeting of the 545member Palestine National Council.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has demanded that the councilbe reconvened to remove ambiguityabout whether it had canceled clauses in the Palestine Liberation Organization's founding charter. that call for Israel's destruction. The official said Israel was now willing to accept a statement from the PLO. executive committee as a condition for starting the withdrawal as long as a date for reconvening the council came within the four-mouth period of pullouts.

#### **Drug Suspect Held** By Colombia Police

BOGOTA - An Israeli implicated in an attempt to ship three tons of cocaine to Russia in 1993 has been arrested near here with a false

Belgian passport, Colombian secu-rity authorities said. The suspect, Avi Salach, was captured Saturday night after a five-year manhum by Colombian and Israeli police and Interpol, the international police agency, Colombia's domestics

security agency announced. Another Israeli, Elias Cohen, was arrested when the cocaine was seized before it left Colombia and he is serving a prison term in-Bogota, the agency said.



Grim-faced UN military observers in Islamabad, Pakistan, as they carried the coffin of Lieutenant Colonel Carmine Calo, who was killed Friday in Afghanistan after the U.S. air strikes. The body was flown home to Italy.

Stanley Matuma, 15, who suffered severe eye injuries when the U.S. Embassy in Nairobi was bombed, arriving Monday in London for treatment at a hospital there.

## Wayward U.S. Missile Landed In Pakistan, Islamabad Says

The Associated Press .
ISLAMABAD, Pakistan neighboring Afghanistan landed by mistake on its territory, the Foreign

Ministry said Monday. The discovery over the weekend of an unexploded missile supported Pakistan's presumption that the United States violated its airspace to attack a neighbor, the ministry statement said.

Local officials who spoke on condition of anonymity said the missile and handed over to the military the training camp in neighboring Afghanistan. They said the missile fell in Kharan, about 600 kilometers

No injuries or damage were re-

The government of Pakistan the UN Security Council after confirming that a U.S. missile aimed at neighboring Afghanistan land and informed us about this and we are looking into in a said District. Hoagland, a ILS\_Embassy spokes-The government earlier had to

retract a similar report that a U.S. missile fired at Afghanistan had landed in Pakistan and killed several people. Pakistan dismissed its intelligence chief, Manzoor Ahmed, for passing on the false report to the

The United States fired 73 Tomawas found in a remote area Sunday hawk missiles at six targets in a camp in eastern Afghanistan linked same day, four days after U.S. mis- to the Saudi dissident Osama bin siles struck a suspected militant Laden. Mr. bin Laden is accused of directing worldwide terror attacks from Afghanistan, including the Aug. 7 bombings of two U.S. em-(375 miles) south of the U.S. target bassies in East Africa that killed a total of 257 people.

In its first public statement on the U.S.

strikes, the government of Saudi Arabia

#### near Khost, Afghanistan. ARABS: League Calls for UN Investigation of U.S. Bombing Raid on Sudanese Factory :

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cooperating with a formal United Nations investigation of its attack in Sudan,

Clinton is on vacation. York, a U.S. envoy, A. Peter Burleigh, said: "I don't see what the purpose of the fact-finding study would be. There is no But officials who spoke on condition doubt about the credibility of the ev-

idence the U.S. government has."]
The raid enraged public opinion in Sudan and led to calls by Sudanese ofwhether the United Nations or former President Jimmy Carter of the United

tory and prove their assertion that it was only a factory for veterinary and other pharmaceuticals.

ident Omar Hassan Ahmad Bashir of Sudan contended that the strike was planned on the basis of bad information given to the United States by Sudanese opposition groups.

Since the attack, he said, Sudan has

Washington accused Sudan of harboring terrorists, including Mr. bin Laden, before the country asked him to

leave in 1996.

but said it was "prompted to stress the need" for fighting terrorism through such channels as the United Nations. ■ Pledge to Taleban Reported

tling terrorism internally.

country while he is in Afghanistan, the Taleban leader, Mohammed Omar, was quoted Monday as having said, according to Agence France-Presse. The Afghan Islamic Press quoted Mullah Omar as having said that Mr. bin

threaten the United States or any other

Laden made the pledge after the Taleban leader voiced displeasure Sunday over reported threats against the United States following its missile attacks.

"We asked him to refrain from such activities, and Osama bin Laden has ac-commitment."

cepted our advice and promised to abide by it," the agency, based in Pakistan, quoted Mullah Omar as having said. "

He added that Mr. bin Laden had been clearly told before not to engage in any political or military activities from Afghan soil. His threatening state did not specifically condemn the action ments" following the U.S. attack were a violation of that commitment, Mullah Omar said, speaking from the headquar-ters of the Islamic militia at Kandahar in Mr. bin Laden has promised not to southern Afghanistan.

But the chief U.S. delegate to the United Nations cast doubt on the Take # ban commitment. "We're a little doubtful that's the

case," Bill Richardson told CNN.
"I went to Afghanistan to talk to the Taleban some months ago to try to get them to extradite bin Laden at the very least, and not let him engage in political or terrorist activities," he said. "Needless to say the Taleban didn't fulfill that

## LIBYA: U.S. Offers a Compromise on Trial

court, with Scottish judges applying Scottish law," she said.

The administration arranged a con-

and the national security adviser, Samuel Berger, to relatives of the vic-tims to tell them of the decision, officials U.S. officials said the proposal

nomic sanctions imposed on Tripoli because of its refusal to hand over the two men, both Libyan intelligence agents, for trial. Colonel Gadhafi has proposed that the men be tried under Scottish law, though not in Scotland, by a panel of international judges, and he wants sanctions lifted once a trial begins.

U.S. officials insisted that the idea of Scottish judges in a trial under Scottish international support. But they just did it rules was "nonnegotiable," and said in Afghanistan and Sudan, which just holding it in The Hague mattered less. If makes this all more bizarre."

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If the two suspects surrender and are convicted, they would face up to 30 years in prison, to be served in Scot-

ference call Monday from Mrs. Albright

seemed a reasonable compromise. The Libyan leader, Moammar Gadhafi, has been campaigning to lift the UN eco-

Colonel Gadhafi refused the offer, one official said, sanctions would remain. But the relatives of some victims ex! pressed concern that the administration would weaken its conditions. Susan and Daniel Cohen of New Jersey, whose only child, Theodora, then 20, died in the

tration would keep its word. "This compromise is a slippery slope," Mr. Cohen said, "and any terrorist could now say, 'I don't want to be tried in the U.S., I want to be tried in Bosnia or wherever.'

bombing, oppose a compromise and said

they were skeptical that the adminis-

Mrs. Cohen said that with British corporate pressure high to resume business with Libya, "I have the terrible feeling we're being hustled here" and that sanc-tions will be lifted prematurely.

"Too much is being made of these two individuals, and not enough is made of the fact that they are part of a government apparatus in Libya," she said.
"Berger and Albright told as personally that we can't move unilaterally against a terrorist country like Libya, that we need

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have to do everything possible to keep the The emotional wrangling over the Holocaust memorial underscores the persistent difficulties in coping with Germany's past as a new generation comes to power in a reunited Germany. to the factory itself. Earlier this year, a group of 19 prominent German historians and authors, including the Nobel-prize-winning author Guenter Grass, declared that creating "an abstract installation of oppressively gigantic proportions" would defeat the project's purpose of encouraging remembrance about the horrors of the past and reflections about lessons for Critics of the memorial said it neglected other victims of Nazi persecution, notably Gypsies, homosexuals and dis-

abled persons. They also claimed that Berlin already possessed several historic places to contemplate the evils of the Holocaust, such as the Topography of Terror museum, on the site of the Gestapo headquarters, and the Wannsee villa where the blueprint to exterminate Europe's Jews was mapped out. But the debate took a significant polit-

ical twist last month when Gerhard Schroeder, Mr. Kohl's Social Democratic challenger, indicated that he would put off any decision if he became chancellor. Michael Naumann, Mr. Schroeder's top adviser on cultural affairs, declared that the \$10 million budgeted for the memorial would be better spent on improving

the dilapidated state of the former con-

centration camps, which he described as "the real memorials of the Holocaust."

in the weeks leading up to the strike aides have said the attack was conducted to punish Osama bin Laden, a Saudi exile a sample of a critical chemical used in the whom the United States has accused of sponsoring terrorist attacks, including the bombings of the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania on Aug. 7. The Sudanese government has insisted that the pharmaceutical factory was a benign commercial venture and called on the United Nations to investigate the U.S. strike. On Sunday, government officials took the chief IIN rep

ernment officials took the chief UN representative in Sudan, Phillip Borel, on a tour of the debris from the factory.

The factory was obliterated by the strike, which one U.S. official said was designed to make the building fall in any other than the strike of the st **Germany Puts** designed to make the building fall in on itself, limiting the chance of toxins' es-

caping into the air. People who toured the area afterward were able to see pharmaceutical

products in the debris. Officials of the Clinton administration do not dispute that the factory might president's national security adviser, Samuel Berger, said Sunday on CNN television that it would not be readily apparent from the debris that production

troversial decision on whether to build a of a VX precursor had been under way. memorial in the heart of Berlin to pay

But he said, "There is no question in homage to six million Jews murdered by our mind that facility, that factory, was used to produce a chemical that is used in the manufacture of VX nerve gas and has Chancellor Helmut Kohl, an ardent supporter of the project, wanted to seno other commercial distribution as far cure final approval this mouth so the as we understand.

'We have physical evidence of that fact," Mr. Berger said, "and very, very little doubt of it."

the government completes its transfer to Berlin from Bonn late next year. Although the administration says the precursor has no other use than the mak-But the project has come under intense criticism from politicians and ining of VX, it does not appear on the list of chemicals covered under the international tellectuals, who argued that creating a "wreath-dumping ground" would min-imize the legacy of Nazi genocide. Maytreaty barring chemical weapons, said anor Eberhard Diepgen, a leading member other administration official, who, like the of Mr. Kohl's governing Christian Democrats, complained that Berlin was

others, spoke on condition of anonymity.

There are different ways to make VX in danger of becoming "a city of me-morials and repentance" rather than could be used, many of them with other, evolving into a forward-looking, 21stbenign uses.

Amy Smithson of the Henry L. Stimson Center, an arms research organization in Washington, said it would not take a large amount of precursor chemicals — or space — to make a weapon. But a factory would have to have special glass-lined reactors and tubes that would resist comosion by highly toxic chemicals, she said. "If this pharmaceutical facility had

corrosion-resistant equipment," said, "it would be possible to mask small quantities of chemical agents."

The connection between the factory and Mr. bin Laden is also unclear. On the day of the attack, Secretary of Defense William Cohen said Mr. bin Laden "had some financial interest in contributing to this particular facility."

of anonymity said the link was not that direct. The plant, they said, was built by a state-run entity called the Military Industrial Complex, and it is to that entity ficials for an independent agent that Mr. bin Laden has connections, not

Reuters reported.
["We acted fully consistent with international law and U.S. law, but if we receive any notice of any formal inquiry we'll certainly consider it," Michael McCurry, the White House spokesman, said on the Massachusetts island of Martha's Vineyard, where President Bill

But at the United Nations in New

States - to analyze the destroyed fac- United States and which have been bat-

In a news conference Monday, Pres-

been indirectly approached by the United States, with offers to begin cooperating on security issues.

Quickly condemned by such militant governments as Libya and Iraq, the U.S. raids drew a slower and more neutral response from such Middle Eastern countries as Egypt and Saudi Arabia, which are more closely allied to the



OPEN AGAIN — Shoppers in Omagh passing by flowers laid in tribute to the 28 people killed by the bomb of Aug. 15. Shops in the Northern Irish town opened Monday for the first time since the blast.

#### **EUROPE**

# Civilians Flee Serb Attacks Near Kosovo Airport

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia — Serbian artillery pounded areas near Kosovo's airport on Monday, sending civilians fleeing arnid signs that ethnic Albanian rebels scattered by a recent offensive were regrouping.

Civilians fled the villages of Magura and Leletic, about 12 kilometers (8 miles)

southwest of the provincial capital.
Pristina, as Setbs bombarded mountainons areas nearby, witnesses said. Both villages were in flames and civilians could

be seen escaping onto the main road.

The fighting took place on the southeast flank of Golec Mountain, which local Serbian sources say is the site of an important Serbian military installation. For the second day in a row, Serbian forces used their firepower, including artillery and heavy machine guns, in the area near the airport and west and southwest of Pristina

Serbian sources in Pristina said bands of paratist Kosovo Liberation Army guerrillas broken up in fighting around Ko-morane, west of Pristina, were regrouping. The ethnic Albanian daily Bujku quoted Dzafer Satri, the spokesman for a government-in-exile in Geneva, as saying

that four days ago the KLA had formed a headquarters for western Kosovo. The headquarters covers 58 villages inthe region and its command structure is run by professional soldiers, the report said. February for independence for Kosovo and its ethnic Albanian majority, was pushed back in a monthlong Serbian offensive that began in July.

Although Serbian forces have retaken most towns and villages that had fallen to the KLA, fighting has continued, with



The KLA, which began a campaign in Ethnic Albanian children playing with a tank shell Monday outside the ruins of their home, razed by Serbian forces.

casualties mounting on both sides.

Late Sunday, the bodies of 10 ethnic Albanians believed to have been killed along the Albanian-Montenegro border were taken to the morgue in Djakovica, west of Pristina, the Kosovo Information

Center said. It said only one of the bodies, that of Adem Dervisi, 62, a resident of the village of Batusa, had been identified. It gave no further details and the report could not be verified independently.

Serbian sources released the identity of a policeman from Belgrade who was killed Sunday near Komorane. Goran Andric, 23, was killed and five policemen were wounded when police and army troops came under fire.

# GERMANY: As Russia Teeters, Bankers and Politicians Worry About Billions in Loans

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German banks have played an important role in Russia for many years, but that role grew considerably after the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1990. As communism collapsed in Central Europe and Russia, German manufacturers immediately turned eastward to capitalize on their central geographic position as well as their ability to supply the material and equip-ment for rebuilding those countries.

German banks provided the trade financing for exports and for investment in development projects. The German government, primarily through the Hermes export-promotion agency, guaran-teed the vast majority of the debt.

According to the Ministry of Economics, Hermes is guaranteeing about \$30 billion in debt to Russian projects. Although the Russian government has imposed a 90-day moratorium on repayment of foreign debts, it has said it not block the reunification of Germany, will continue to honor government debt. a moral debt that Mr. Kohl highlighted Over the long term, analysts said, the Sunday in a campaign speech.

Russian loans could have a significant impact on the German budget. But that remains unclear, because nobody knows how many loans will go into default when they come due in several years.

The uncertainty spooked the German

stock market last week, particularly shares of banks, including Deutsche Bank and Commerzbank. But the banks insist they are fairly

secure because the government is backing so many of the loans. Deutsche Bank has said its "exposure" to Russian loans is about \$750 million, and Commerzbank has said its exposure is more than \$100 million. Bank executives say they have already taken loan-loss provisions for about half that amount.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl had political as well as economic reasons to support relations with Russia. It was Mikhail Gorbachev, the former Soviet president, who let it be known that Russia would

But on Monday, German bankers and government officials found themselves scrambling just to find someone to talk to in Moscow. Russian leaders were to sit down Monday with Western banks, led by Deutsche Bank and J.P. Morgan, to scuss a restructuring of payment on Russian bonds.

But bankers said it was impossible to even begin discussions because Russia did not have a real government in place. The Russians sent the deputy chair-

man of the Russian Central Bank, and European banks generally sent local representatives rather than top executives. Mr. Fischer of Commerzbank said German bankers were worried about an absence of capable financial managers in Russia and have contemplated offering to lend Russia some of their own experts.

"Our main concern is that the Russians find the necessary managerial skills," he said. "We feel the Russians are lacking, to a certain extent, the competence and the good people to manage the massive problems."

Meanwhile, German and other European political leaders divided their time between insisting that Russia follow through on its economic reforms and insisting that the Russian financial crisis would have no severe impact.

"The Rossian crisis will have no decisive impact on European growth,' said Jacques Santer, president of the European Commission, speaking to a symposium in Italy.

#### ■ Official Points Finger at G-7

The Group of Seven leading industrialized nations could have helped avert the gravity of economic and financial turmoil in Russia by offering more funds, a top International Monetary Fund official said Monday, Bloomberg News reported from Washington.

'It became clear to me that the situation was untenable when the G-7 didn't rush to Russia's aid," the first deputy managing director of the Fund, Stanley Fischer, told the Frankfurter Allgemeine

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Chernomyrdin lacked the will to challenge powerful financiers and monopolists.

These issues are not likely to be solved in the Chernomyrdin govern-ment," Mr. Nemtsov said. "And since this is the situation, there is no point for me to work in it."

Certainly, investors seem to have concluded as much. Shares in Gazprom, Russia's huge natural gas monopoly, rose almost 20 percent Monday.

Before joining the Yeltsin govern-

ment six years ago, Mr. Chernomyrdin served as the head of the gas monopoly. And many investors believe the oil and gas companies will be treated leniently under a Chernomyrdin government.

Mr. Kiriyenko, in contrast, has spearheaded the effort to squeeze Russia's

energy sector for overdue taxes.

The fate of other reform-minded members of the government remained unclear. But one key Chemomyrdin aide, Alexander Shokin, the leader of Mr. Chemomyrdin's forces in Parliament, called for the resignation of Anatoli Chubais, the economic reformer who has served as the Russia's negotiator with the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank

The political situation demands that Chubais leave the political scene," Mr. Shokin said.

The Communists have also sought to exploit Mr. Yeltsin's shakeup to gain new influence over economic policy. Mr. Chernomyrdin aggressively courted Parliament before his sudden return to

power and continued to do so Monday. To smooth Mr. Chernomyrdin's approval by the Communist-dominated Parliament, the Kremlin announced that a new commission of Yeltsin government officials and Parliament members would be established to fashion a strategy to deal with the economic crisis. The commission may even go so far as to approve new appointees to the Chernomyrdin team.

"Viktor Chernomyrdin is also open to any proposals on the composition of the government." Mr. Yastrzhembsky said. It was too soon to tell whether the Communists would succeed in forcing the weakened Yeltsin government into a genuine power-sharing arrangement.

But Mr. Yeltsin seemed to be very much the loser Monday. Looking tired and drawn, he said he had decided to reappoint Mr. Chemomyrdin as his prime minister after concluding that it would encourage political stability. He even hinted that Mr. Chemomyrdin would make a good suc-

"The main priority is not to allow any steps backward, to maintain stability," Mr. Yeltsin said in a brief television address. "Today, we need people known as heavyweights. I consider the experience and weight of Chernomyrdin essential." Otto Latsis, deputy editor of the news-

#### BRIEFLY

#### Inquiry Targets East German Funds

BONN — About 2 billion Deutsche marks (\$1.11 billion) in assets that went unaccounted for after the collapse of Communist East Germany has been tracked down.

Investigators on Monday accused the Party of Democratic Socialism. successor to the SED party that ruled East Germany, of hindering an eight-year inquiry in a bid to keep some of the SED's wealth.

Christian von Hammerstein, chairman of the independent investigating commission, said he believed most of the former SED funds had been accounted for but said more might turn up during inquiries being conducted outside Germany. (Reuters)

#### Le Pen Challenged From Within Party

PARIS - Bruno Megret, deputy leader of France's National Front, has put his name forward to lead the far-right party's slate in next year's European parliamentary elections in a challenge to its longtime leader, Jean-Marie Le Pen.

The decision would be up to a vote of the party's top leaders, and Mr. Megret said he would abide by

their judgment. Mr. Le Pen, who has made no secret of his dislike for Mr. Megret. is expected to be ineligible to run for office next year due to his conviction for assaulting a Socialist politician last year. (Reuters)

#### For the Record

A fund set up in December to aid needy victims of Nazi persecution has raised nearly \$57 mil-lion, British officials said. (Reuters)

Mr. Yeltsin appeared to lack that fight that characterized his early years as president. "Today, I saw a new Yeltsin,"
Mr. Latsis said in an interview. "Personally, I saw a Yeltsin who appeared broken in some respects.

#### ■ Nemtsov Submits Resignation

Mr. Nemtsov, deputy prime minister in Mr. Kiriyenko's outgoing cabinet, said at a news conference Monday he had sent a letter of resignation to Mr. Yeltsin, Reuters reported.

The Interfax news agency quoted Mr. Chernomyrdin as saying that he did not intend to keep ministers in the new govpaper Novaya Izvestia, observed that erument who expressed a desire to leave.

#### ASIA/PACIFIC

## After 13 Days in Her Car, **Burma Critic Goes Home**

#### Democratic Leader Still Pressing for Parliament

By Seth Mydans New York Times Service

JAKARTA — The Burmese oppo-sition leader, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, returned Monday to her home in Rangoon, after having spent 13 days in her car, surrounded by soldiers who blocked

her from traveling to meet supporters.

But her political standoff with the military continued as she pressed her demand for the convening of the Parliament, dominated by her party, that was elected in 1991 but was never al-

lowed to take office. A Burma-based diplomar said Daw Aung San Suu Kyi had been driven home from her roadside protest in a Red Cross ambulance escorted by police mo-

The diplomat said he had no information about her health.

Members of her party, the National League for Democracy, had issued a statement urging her to return home to protect her health.

Doctors who visited her Friday said she was suffering from low blood pressure, dizziness and kidney and urinary tract problems.

The Burmese government said she had returned to her home in Rangoon of her own free will.

Earlier in the day, the city witnessed its first street protest in nearly two years as more than 100 young demonstrators, holding the red and yellow peacock flag of her party, staged a brief rally before

being chased away by the police. The most recent street protests, in December 1996, involved hundreds of students and led to the closing of the nation's universities, which remain

Witnesses said the protesters chanted anti-government slogans and sang the national anthem.

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As the protesters sat in the street at a major intersection, about 500 onlookers cheered them on, the diplomat said. He said the demonstrators dispersed without violence and without any reported

the diplomat described as "fluid and confused," the military government's minister of home affairs met with two members of the executive committee of the National League for Democracy, the

No details of their talk were released, but the fact of the meeting itself was significant. It followed a meeting this month between the party's chairman, U Aung Shwe, and one of the govern-ment's most powerful ministers, Gen-

earlier invitation that specifically excluded Daw Anng San Suu Kyi. Her confrontation with the govern-

ment has intensified with the passage of a deadline she set for last Saturday for the convening of Parliament. As she continued to sit in her car 35 kilometers (20 miles) east of the capital, her party announced that it would call its members

We believe that there is no reason to

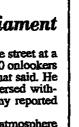
arrests. In the past, when the party has attempted to gather its members to meetings in Rangoon, hundreds of people have been arrested.

its members could curtail further talks. 'Such an action by any individual oarty would be in contravention of

for Democracy," it said in a statement.

The 1991 election followed a crack-1988 in which thousands of people were

The government annulled the election when the opposition won in a landslide, taking 392 out of 485 seats.



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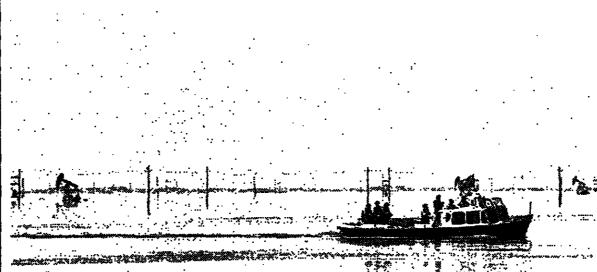
to a parliamentary session.

continue to ask the military for democracy and that the only way forward is through a people's movement," said a Thailand-based opposition group, the All Burma Students Democratic Front. Such a move would likely be met by

The government warned the oppo-sition Monday that any move to convene

Burmese law, and seems designed to derail the ongoing discussions between the government and the National League down on opposition demonstrators in

Since then, opposition groups say 182 of those elected representatives have become inactive, either through arrests, forced exile, compulsory resignations or



#### Flood Waters Force Cutback in Chinese Oil Production

Chinese soldiers patrolling the inundated Daqing oil field in the northeastern province of Heilongjiang, where floodwaters have cut the average daily output of more than 153,000 metric tons by 2 percent. Nearly 300 of the 25,000 wells are closed.

#### JAKARTA: The Army Is Cleaning House

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Two soldiers have been sentenced to prison for their part in the killings of four student demonstrators that touched off citywide rioting in mid-May that precipitated the downfall of Mr. Suharto. But human rights groups say higherranking culprits remain unpunished.

Thousands of soldiers have been withdrawn from the disputed territory of East Timor, where the military has been accused of killings and brutality. In the island province of Aceh, scores of bones of people believed to have been executed by the army were exhumed over the ekend from a mass grave.

General Wiranto has stated his commitment to reforms and his allegiance to the new government of President B.J. Habibie, But the shape of these reforms is still being debated within the military. The armed forces chief also moved quickly to consolidate his grip on the military immediately after Mr. Suharto's resignation: Within hours, he had removed General Prabowo from his command of troops and assigned him to head a military academy.

General Prabowo, who is married to

Mr. Suharto's second daughter, reacted furiously, and Mr. Habibie said the gen-

eral accosted him at his home, forcing

ter for the night in a safe house. Mr.

Suharto and his family, meanwhile, re-

the newly named president to take shell

tired to their homes in Jakarta, where

they remain now, out of the public eye. General Wiranto, like Mr. Habibie, was a close associate of Mr. Suharto. But both men have been leading the way into a more open post-Suharto era with pledges of democracy and human rights. The general also announced on Monday the demotion of two of General Prabowo's allies, Major General Muchdi Purwopranjono, who succeeded General Prabowo as head of the special forces, and Colonel Chairawan, who was in charge of the intelligence unit of the special forces. Ten lower-ranking officers from the unit face trial in a military court in connection with the

kidnappings.
The actions follow an investigation by a military tribunal of seven generals known as an "honor council" during which General Prabowo was reported to have admitted responsibility for the abductions, saying he had misinterpreted orders from above.

General Wiranto said the investigasecurity Ambitious and aggressive, General

tion showed that Kopassus was involved in the abductions, under orders to "uncover several movements then considered radical and jeopardizing government programs and public



General Prabowo Subianto, a sonin-law of former President Suharto, has been fired from the army.

general in the history of the armed forces. He trained in the United States at the Special Forces school in Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and at the advanced infantry school in Fort Benning, Georgia, and was known as a professional, if rough-edged, officer.

General Wiranto said Monday that Prabowo aroused the resentment of many General Prabowo's military career was over, "He will not be active any more of his fellow officers with his quick rise within the armed forces." through the ranks to become the youngest

#### Chinese Evacuate Upper Yangtze Areas

BEIЛNG — Chinese flood-control officials evacuated areas along the upper Yangtze River on Monday as waters surged to their highest levels in more

than a month of disastrous flooding. Yangtze tributaries, swelled by tor-rential rains that killed at least 19 people in southwestern Sichuan Province last week, converged near the city of Chongqing during the weekend and reached a new flood crest, the river's

seventh since early July. Officials warned that record high waters - up to 4.5 meters (15.5 feet) above the emergency line - would lash the upper Yangize for the next two days, the China Youth Daily newspaper report-

To prevent more casualties in the Yangtze's worst flood season in 44 years, all people and movable property were ordered away from a 565-kilo-meter (350-mile) stretch of the river, the paper said.

### Pacific Isles Complaint

POHNPEL Federated States of Micronesia — Australia pushed the South Pacific Forum to the brink of collapse with its hard-line stance on greenhouse gases at its annual meeting last year, the

outgoing chairman said Monday.
Opening the 1998 meeting, the Cook Islands' prime minister, Geoffrey Henry, said the forum's unity had been 'sorely tested'' when Australia insisted on watering down calls for binding in-

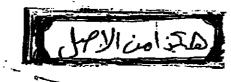
ternational gas emission targets. After a standoff, Pacific island nations gave in to Australia in 1997 and agreed not to endorse binding targets for greenhouse gas emissions.

The Pacific states, some of them only 1 or 2 meters above sea level, fear they can be wiped out by rising ocean levels caused by global warming.

#### Cambodians Protest

PHNOM PENH — Cambodia's opposition launched an around-the-clock demonstration in front of Parliament on Monday to protest the result of elections last month and to press demands that alleged vote fraud be properly investigated. Mass protests are threatened for the weekend.

About 1,000 protesters gathered at a sports stadium in the morning before marching to the National Assembly, carrying banners denouncing the government leader, Hun Sen, whose Cambodian People's Party won the July 26 (Reuters)



#### EDITORIALS/OPINION

# Pyongyang Blackmail

It is doubly bad news that North Korea is building a secret underground nuclear facility. First, the idea that its Stalinist, hostile and repressive regime may once again - or still - be committed to acquiring nuclear weapons is ominous in its own right. But the report calls into question as well a 1994 U.S.-North Korean agreement that is the basis for all other American dealings with that isolated state.

From the start there has been a question of who was stringing whom along with that agreement. Alarmed that North Korea was accumulating weapons-grade plutonium, the United States in 1994 agreed to lead a coalition of interested nations that would provide the impoverished North Koreans with two nuclear reactors of no military use, and a quantity of fuel oil, in exchange for the mothballing of a plutoniumproducing reactor and other weapons facilities. The idea was to buy time, assuming that the world's last pure Stalinist dictatorship could not last forever, and it was a chance worth taking. But the danger was that the North Koreans were buying time themselves, taking advantage of U.S. generosity while pur-suing their nuclear ambitions.

There is little question but that thousands are dying of hunger, there is no question but that this starvation is entirely political, a result of North Korea's wildly flawed economics and the regime's total denial of freedom to its people. The West provides free food nonetheless. This is in part out of humanitarian principles and the belief that food should never be a political weapon, but it is also out of fear that a collapse in North Korea could cause the regime to lash out in some lunatic and destructive way.

On both counts, in other words, the North Korean regime successfully has practiced the politics of blackmail. If North Korea is taking the ransom (fuel and food) and going ahead with its weapons program, then it becomes clear that North Korea is stringing America

along and not the reverse. So far the Clinton administration insists, at least in public, that North Korea is not yet in violation of the 1994 agreement. We hope that in private it is delivering a far firmer message. If North Korea's nuclear program is continuing, it should not take long to figure that the whole deal must be off.

-THE WASHINGTON POST

## **Keep Inspecting Iraq**

In the immediate aftermath of U.S. missile attacks against suspected terrorists in Afghanistan and Sudan, the Clinton administration understandably needs to be cautious about threatening the use of force elsewhere. But Washington cannot afford to slacken the pressure on Iraq for long. Now that Saddam Hussein has disabled the international inspection system designed to prevent him from building biological, chemical and nuclear weapons, he may quickly be able to produce enough germ agents to menace his neighbors.

Since the end of the 1991 Gulf War. Washington has been firmly committed to keeping Baghdad from ever again building mass destruction weapons. But with international support for arms inspections and sanctions against Iraq weakening, some administration officials seem ready to quietly abandon that goal. Instead they would concentrate U.S. efforts on stopping Baghdad from ever using such terror weapons.

Switching from prevention to containment would be a grave error. The administration should not imagine that arsenal of terror. Iraq will become any more tractable, or

the UN Security Council any more united, if the United States ceases to enforce inspections. Washington should fully back the arms inspectors when they try to resume work. Only unflinching U.S. determination can keep Baghdad in line and stop less resolute Security Council members from bending to Iraqi pressures.

Saddam's real grievance against the UN inspectors is that they threaten his goal of secretly preserving elements of his germ warfare, nerve gas and nearly completed nuclear weapons programs. That is why he repeatedly obstructs their work. The closer the inspectors come to Saddam's most sensitive secrets — documents describing stocks of deadly anthrax and botulinum toxin, physical evidence that VX nerve gas was loaded onto missiles the more inventive he becomes in de-

vising reasons to hold them at bay.

If Saddam now gets away with vitiating the UN inspection system, Iraq's concealed weapons programs will give it a big head start on rebuilding its

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

## **Clinton and Congress**

President Bill Clinton is about to enter a month of intense negotiations with congressional Republicans that will determine the records and the arguments that both parties carry into the fall campaign. One question is how the events of the last week, in which Mr. Clinton has been both weakened and given fresh reason to try to appear in command, may affect the outcome. Not even within the administration is anyone sure. But not many people doubt that there will be some effect; the president's standing will influence the legislative outcome, and the outcome may in turn affect the standing.

The framework for the negotiations was set before Congress began its August recess. The Democrats far more than the majority Republicans have set the legislative agenda this year. Their proposals — for campaign finance reform, tobacco regulation, "patients" rights" when insurers balk at paying for health care, increased child care subsidies and the rest - have mainly been blocked by the Republican leadership.

Democrats say the Republicans have no agenda beyond protecting the status quo and its principal beneficiaries. The Republicans, led in this instance by House Speaker Newt Gingrich, have begun to fire back. They recount the accomplishments of prior years — welfare reform, the balanced budget agreement. They denounce the Democrats for proposing government expansion, and present themselves as champions of less intrusive government instead. The proof, and the party signature, is their call for a major tax cut.

That is the frame of the debate that will resume when the Senate reconvenes next Monday. Here are some of the specific tests that await the two sides before Congress's scheduled adjournment on Oct. 7.

The House passed a campaign-finance-reform bill over the opposition of Mr. Gingrich and the rest of the

Republican leadership. It goes back to the Senate, whose own leadership led a filibuster to thwart the majority and block similar legislation earlier this year. The president claims to favor the legislation, which his own fund-raising excesses helped to inspire. The question is how hard he, the Senate Democrats and the moderate Republicans who earlier joined them now push. Do they go so far as to tie up the Senate until they get a vote, or do they pay only lip service to the cause?

Mr. Gingrich wants a tax cut but has no way to finance it unless he dips into the prospective budget surplus, which the president has rightly said should be used to "save Social Security first." Does the president hold or fold? The administration has issued veto threats against seven of the 13 appropriations bills to fund the government in the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1. Failure to pass them creates the risk of a govemment shutdown.

The disputes are partly over money, but also over such prickly issues as how to ensure that the next census is fair, whether to let lower-middle-income families into subsidized housing at the expense of the poor, and on what terms to replenish the IMF. How hard a line does the president take? How hard if at all does he push for the trade bill that Mr. Gingrich proposes to revive, but that organized labor and many Democrats oppose? How hard does he hammer the

Republicans on the health care issue? The president's tendency in the past has been to blur at least some of his differences with the Republicans. Sometimes he has frustrated and even embittered his own supporters. The business of picking his way through Congress becomes all the more complex when the members he is dealing with are the same ones who may next pass judgment on him. That, too, may affect the next month's negotiations. -THE WASHINGTON POST

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# Formula for Russia: Pay Your Dues or Go to Jail

TAULIGNAN, France - Yet an-1 other huge IMF-sponsored rescue package has promptly fizzled out. Bilavail. Disasters of this magnitude occur far too often these days.

Behind the Russian meltdown is a tale of bad economic and political judgment, in the West and in the East.

There was nothing deeply wrong with the ruble. True, the fall in oil prices has hurt Russia badly, and a moderate depreciation could have helped. But the problem is elsewhere, and everybody knows it: The federal government is increasingly unable to collect taxes, which have fallen from 20 percent of GDP in 1992 to 8 percent this year.

Russian authorities have managed to contain the budget deficit, but they have done it the wrong way, by not paying what they owe. In today's Russia nobody feels that dues must be paid, not the government and not the taxpayers. Why pay if there is no sanction?

From headquarters just as lavish as those in New York or London, Russian banks and corporations engage in big commercial deals, make their top executives immensely rich, they claim that they cannot pay taxes. When the tax collector gets angry, a deal is arranged, they cough up a few kopecks and soon in Brazil and Argentina.

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sonable doubt to punish, destroy

and deter bandits hiding out in

two broken states that lack the

unstatable, motive: revenge,

Reasons of diplomacy and pol-itics prevented Mr. Clinton

from acknowledging on Thurs-

day that vengeance-seeking is

involved. But the Americans

and Africans who were

slaughtered indiscriminately in

Nairobi and Dar es Salaam de-

serve nothing less than this af-

firmation in fire that they have

They in fact deserve more,

They, and those who died in

previous attacks and those who

might die in the future oper-

ations of this gang, deserve a

sustained, focused presidential

effort to bring terrorists to

justice and to challenge the an-

thority and existence of states

Until now the Clinton admin-

istration has not taken its ob-

ligation to challenge rogue gov-

ernments directly with force as seriously as it should have. It

has been willing to rely on eco-

nomic sanctions to contain Iraq

Mr. bin Laden through its large

intelligence presence in Sudan

- which has significant ties to

that support or harbor them.

not been forgotten.

There is also an unstated, and

will or ability to control them.

By Charles Wyplosz

lions of dollars have been spent to no and carry on. If tax collection goes on declining, there is no way the gov-eroment can service its debt. This is what triggered the crisis.

Domestic and foreign investors alike scrambled to the exit door. Pundits certified that the ruble was not overvalued, but there were no takers. Selfinterested financiers convinced the authorities to buy those rubles, and when the stock of dollars dried out in July, the IMF provided a new pile which just went down the same tube.

On paper, the IMF conditions for the loan could have solved the problem. But half of the required measures had to be approved by the Communist-con-trolled Duma, which has never passed any legislation without crippling it. To meet the other half, the gov-

emment would have had to get tough with bad taxpayers, but these are all the president's friends, and the prime minister (now replaced) was patently weak. The IMF conditions never had a fight-

ing chance. That was mistake No. 1. Mistake No. 2 was not to request that the embattled ruble be allowed to float. Same mistake as in Mexico, as in Asia,

United States, committed mistake No. 3. It decided that Boris Yeltsin's political fate was vital to the U.S. national interest, and ordered the IMF to undertake yet another expensive and predictably doomed rescue.

Anyway, here we are. Basic principles of economics have defeated the might of top guns in Washington. Mr. Yeltsin and his friends have sunk with the ruble, and the bottom has not been reached. What can be done? Wisely, the Russian authorities have

suspended servicing their debt. They had to pay enormous interest, which can only be explained by the expec-tation of a forthcoming default. Investors who now complain about

debt suspension are less than candid. Even if they end up with half of what they were promised, it will still turn out to be the best deal of the year, courtesy of millions of impoverished Russians. The authorities must also stop fixing

the exchange rate. Their stubborn de-fense of the ruble was really a guar-antee offered to Russian banks which had borrowed heavily in dollars. The price tag is in the billions of dollars.

If banks fail, this will only be fair.

Failed banks can be sold, and there will be plenty of takers from the West if

The IMF's main shareholder, the they are not kept out by powerful lob-nited States, committed mistake No. bies and if the price is right. At last Russia will have banks which resemble, those that you find elsewhere. Finally comes the essential part: col-

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lection of taxes. Until this is done, Russia will go on from crisis to crisis. gradually imploding in the way Latin America did in the 1980s.

There is only one way: Apply the law. But this requires cutting the link between politics, business and finance. Mr. Yelisin has shown over and over again that he will not do that He backed Prime Minister Sergei Kiriy-enko on many tough decisions but he did not let him touch big business.

He has now brought back Viktor Chemomyrdin, whose main political asset is immobilism. Too bad, Someone else will have to do the job of establishing a market economy, one where either you pay your dues or you igo to jail. It's as simple as that. All the rest is pie in the sky.

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## The American War on Terrorism Has Scarcely Begun

By Jim Hoagland

WASHINGTON — The history of America's war on terrorism in the Middle East rectly support terrorism against is long on cause, short on effect. President Bill Clinton's unchar-American targets. acteristically swift missile raids on Afghanistan and Sudan are

If the embassy bombings in Kenya and Tanzania have opened Mr. Clinton's eyes to unlikely to change that pattern. the need for constant presiden-tial vigilance and action, then But that grim imbalance makes this retaliation no less necessome good will have come out The retaliatory raids on of these horrible tragedies. Osama bin Laden and associates are a form of national self-de-

But there are troubling signs that this president could again fense. Mr. Clinton did not have stage a pinprick raid, announce the problem solved and turn back to wait for proof beyond a reato his own domestic and personal preoccupations. A single night of missile strikes against remote desert sites will not leave America's self-declared enemies off balance for long.

The initial post-raid state-ments from Mr. Clinton and his national security team seemed to acknowledge that. But there was also a rhetoric of demonization and verbal overkill reminiscent of the huffing and puffing against Saddam Hussein and weapons of mass destruction last winter, just before the administration decided it could

handily live with both after all. A particularly severe realism is called for in pursuing the war against terrorism. America has sought to use both the law of the jungle and the law of the courtroom to protect its citizens and its global presence. Neither has brought more than brief respites in the irregular, often bru-

tal attacks on U.S. interests. Ronald Reagan's isolated and limited strike on Libya in 1986 led to new terrorism from Tripoli, possibly including the bombing of Pan Am 103 in December 1988. George Bush, putting together Operation Desert Storm in the autumn of

- and other regimes that di- of Libyan involvement came into American hands, decided to pursue the Libyans through international law, an effort that still has brought no results.

Other outrages have gone without effective retaliation the assassination of two U.S. diplomats by Palestinian guer-rillas in Khartoum in 1973; the taking hostage of U.S. diplomats in Tehran in 1979; the Syrianbacked bombings of the U.S. Embassy and Marine barracks in Beirut in 1983; and until now the attacks on U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia in 1995 and 1996.

America's open society, its laws and political ethos, all inhibit the exact and systematic are not the issue here. I do not

scale measuring American victims against retribution is always unbalanced, in the terrornecessary for an American president to use to the maximum any and every opportunity he has to reduce the effectiveness and reach of terrorist gangs and those who support them.

The administration has vaunted the superb intelligence and evidence it has gathered and the effective force it has amassed in this case. It is hard to believe that one night of raids has exhausted what Mr. Clinton could and should do to stop Mr. bin Laden's bloody extremism.

Mr. Clinton's own motives

taking of an eye for an eye. The believe that he should be accused of acting merely to deflect attention from his Leviinsky problems. In any event, a ists' favor. That makes it strategy of foreign exploits in such a simution would not work, as Richard Nixon found in 1974 when he sought to change the subject from Watergate to his record in the Middle East.

The American public is wise enough to sort out the consequences of domestic foolishness or wrongdoing from a president's international duties. and deal with them separately. The president has said America is at war with terrorists and must prevail. He is right. This time te must show he means it.

The Washington Post.

## Get the America-Hater, Dead or Alives

WASHINGTON — This struggle has no clear end point. The war against terrorism impact on American lives and

interests can be reduced. Counterterrorist strategy traditionally draws on political, economic and commercial measures, diplomatic maneuvers and pressure, law enforcement, covert action and sometimes military force. Terrorist states are vulnerable to political, econom-

ic and diplomatic pressures. But the kind of terrorism symbolized by Osama bin Laden makes much of that strategy moot. Such groups lack these pressure points. They are "self-financing" and can buy access to countries like Afghanistan, where the government is weak and divided

The ideology of such groups 1990, when conclusive evidence makes them impervious to By L. Paul Bremer 3d

will never be "won." But its political or diplomatic pressures, They hate America and proudly declare themselves to be at war with it. The United States cannot seek a "political

solution" with them. So what should it do? Defend itself. Beef up security around potential targets at home and abroad, especially "softer" targets such as Amer-

ican businesses overseas. Attack the enemy. Keep the pressure on terrorist groups. Show that America can be as systematic and relentless as they are, Crush Mr. bin Laden's operations by pressure and dis-ruption. The U.S. government should order further military strikes against the remaining terrorist training camps in Afghanistan and Sudan

Washington should announce a large reward for Mr. bin Laden's capture, dead or alive. This might work, and at the least would exacerbate the paranoia common to all terrorists.

Washington should let it be known that it (with the Paki-stanis) is having "productive discussions" with the Afghan Taleban about evicting Mr. bin Laden. The Taleban are unlikely to expel him, but such talks will increase his concerns. And if he is on the run, he will be vulnerable to interception. The objective is to retain the

initiative, keep Mr. bin Laden off balance and ensure that he never again enjoys a good night's sleep.

Improve intelligence operations. Effective counterterrorism depends on good intelli-gence. U.S. agencies performed African bombings. The aim is to disrupt attacks before they hap- ment to The Washington Postu

pen. This requires improved co-ordination of intelligence collection against terrorist groups. America should expand the use of deep cover agents on the ground to infiltrate terrorist or ganizations. Conduct vigorous diplomb

cy. These actions should be part of a broad diplomatic effort to show the world that America is serious about the fight against terrorism. It should stress that it has no quarrel with Islam, bet that it intends to defend its lifterests, keep pressure on states that support terrorism, and do everything possible to prevent weapons of mass destruction from falling into the hands of terrorists, or terrorist states.

America should let it be known that it welcomes suppô# and will remember those who stand with it. And it must igner the fruitless discussions at the United Nations. A litary of resolutions and solemn declara tions do not impress terrorists. Revoke the assassination ban. The president should 15

peal the executive order bailning the assassination of foreigners. Under present policy, it is permissible to attack a factory in the middle of a city, or a terrorist camp inhabited by unnamed operatives, but not to target a man who is proud to have killed American civilians. This makes no sense. There are never easy br

'good'' choices in the fight against terrorism. Each course of action has drawbacks. But it is sometimes hard to identify the best course, it is easy to know the worst: Do nothing: ~

The writer was ambassador at large for counterterrorism remarkably well after the East during the Reagan administration. He contributed this cont-

#### IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1898: U.S. Protection

icans and would surrender their arms if assured that the Philippines would be become an that the religious orders are also instigating opposition to any change in the old regime.

BERLIN — In a joint under-standing between Germany and the Allies, Germany must hope that a way will be found for conciliating the justifiable claims of her creditors with the

possibility of Germany's devel-opment and for assuring the German people the right to live. made by Chancellor Stresemann in a speech before the Congress of Commerce and Industry, in which he definitely repudiated the idea of basing the policy of Spaniards assured that they are the German Government on a rupture between the Allies.

ernment indicated that it regrets having granted an amnesty to 500,000 minor Nazis. An editorial in the government newspaper warned that "dangerous" elements are "smoldering in the dark." The editorial is connected with the question of possible anthorization of a new Austria political party by the four-power Allied Council for Allitria. Some government leaders fear that it will become a lagalized rallying point for Nazis.

Arm the UN Military Observers

MOSCOW — Last month in Tajikistan, where clashes continue despite a 1997 peace deal that ended a five-year civil war, four mem-bers of the UN observer mission were ambushed and executed on the spot.

The four - Polish Major Ryszard Szewczyk, Uruguayan Major Adolfo Sharpegue, Japanese civil affairs officer Akino Yutaka and their Tajik interpreter, Dzhouradzhon Makhramov — were forced from their Land Rover on a remote mountain road and shot. Their bodies were dumped in a ravine.

At first the Tajik government, a regime with a notori-ously nasty human rights record, claimed that they had died in a car crash. After backtracking on that shameful statement, the Tajik president, a Russian-backed strongman, blamed his political opponents and launched one of his seasonal crackdowns.

A week before, in the former Soviet republic of Georgia, a Polish member of the UN observer mission there also was murdered. Maria Magdalena Wewiorska, secretary to Kofi Annan's special envoy in Georgia, had arrived just weeks earlier. She was on her way to her Tbilisi apartment when she was shot. The authorities called it a robbery, but UN staff in Georgia call it the latest in a long string of provocations.

"None of the president's enemies wants us here," says a UN employee in Tbilisi. And President Eduard Shevardnadze, who in February survived his second assassination attempt in three years, boasts plenty of enemies.

By Andrew Meier

The murders not only reveal how these fledgling states remain riven by insurgencies, but, more important, how the United Nations has failed to build peace in these ex-Soviet war zones. The Security Council long ago abdicated responsibility, opting for the easiest gesture: hopelessly small contingents of unarmed "military observers."

"Military observers," explains a UN spokesman in New York, "by definition do not carry arms. They are officers, they are not troops." But in the post-Soviet battlefields, where guerrillas hunt daily for headlines and bargaining chips, a "military observer" is a fatal oxymoron. A Polish officer deep in the

Tajik outback, not far from where his colleagues were later killed, told me in 1996: 'Military observer' ... what the hell does this mean? We are sent here to 'show the flag.' Well, we show it, and it makes us an embarrassingly casy target

Georgia and Tajikistan each host more than 80 officers "observing" that there is no peace in their disputed provinces. These missions, while assuaging UN guilt, have disappointed the survivors of war, encouraged conflict among fractious local satraps and offered up a tragically high number of UN volunteers for sacrifice. A UN official in Georgia summed up

his predicament bluntly: 'We're clay pigeons.' In Abkhazia, the Black Sea province that has fought to He contributed this comment secede from Georgia since to The Washington Post.

1992, clashes continue. "If we are attacked we can do nothing," General Haronn Rashid, the soft-spoken Bangladeshi then in charge of the UN military observers there, told me last year. He knew from experience. His men had been ambushed. robbed and kidnapped. In 1997 he even was reprimanded for paying a \$7,000 ransom for three of his men

who had been taken hostage. UN observers are not the only ones who suffer casualties. Russia's peacekeepers -who often behave more like an occupying force in Georgia and Tajikistan - come under frequent attack as well. In Abkhazia, the casualty totals for July alone were ugly, with seven Russian soldiers killed by mines and 11 injured.

The United Nations is unable to help Russia's peace-keepers. "To protect others with force, even when they're under attack, is simply not within our mandate," the general explained with a shrug. These recent murders trag-

ically testify to the futility of UN military observer missions. Some 900 uniformed officers serve in such missions around the world. Unlike the 10,000 soldiers in the 17 UN peacekeeping missions, they carry to arms. The United Nations should

the hot spots of the old Soviet Union. But if it wants to post officers in war zones, it should at least give them the right to protect themselves. The writer is Moscow correspondent for Time magazine.

continue to push for peace in

MANILA — The rebel leaders declared that they were willing to co-operate with the American made by Chancellor Stresemann

American protectorate, Many eager to enter upon new enterprises, but fear ruin if the Americans retire. There are a few monopolists who are averse to competition and who are intriguing against the opening up of the country. Natives inform

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1948: Austrian Pardon VIENNA — The Austrian gov-

#### **OPINION/LETTERS**

OK, CAPTAIN, YOU'VE WOUNDED THE WHITE WHALE.

NOW, LET'S MOVE ON.

## **A Line Clinton and Nixon Drew Between Public and Private**

PRINCETON, New Jersey

— Lately, Bill Clinton,
who took office in 1993 as the self-declared political heir of John F. Kennedy, has found himself likened to freshman senator, he was a Richard Nixon. The resembard-line anti-Communist seemed most pronounced last At 39, youthful and vigorous, week, after Mr. Clinton's adbe seemed the ideal running which, with its mixture of defensiveness and defiance, led ticket heavily favored to desome to compare it to Mr. feat the Democrats that fall. Nixon's celebrated "Check-

ers" speech of 1952. comparisons to the Nixon speech are off the mark and actually do an injustice to benefited from a campaignboth men. Contrary to wide-finance fund paid for by spread, stubborn historical wealthy California business-1952 spoke without repenarticles followed, and sudtance—but for once, with a denly the Republican cambatailed forthrightness that paign was besieged. has been largely obscured by the cloud of later events.

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and forthright. They made careful appeals to or divulged such intimate, certain American beliefs personal information. about the right to privacy ones that often elude the country's more high-minded,

By Sean Wilentz

freshman senator, he was a named Checkers. blances between the two who had attacked corruption scandal-ridden presidents in the Truman administration. dress on the Lewinsky matter, mate for Dwight Eisenhower on a Republican presidential

But then, early in the rs" speech of 1952. campaign, disaster struck.

But the supposedly telling The New York Post, then a liberal daily, reported that Mr. Nixon had personally npressions, Mr. Nixon in men. A flood of newspaper

Party advisers wanted to dump Mr. Nixon from the tick-Mr. Clinton, renowned et He refused to back down, for his prolizity in public, however, and instead chose the daring and unprecedented step of going on television to state his case to the nation.

Looking drained from and forthright.

an hour, giving a dry-as-dust recitation of his family fitwo speeches are utterly dif-nances, down to the smallest ferent. Yet history may show detail. No candidate had that both were ultimately a ever subjected himself to success for the same reason. such scrutiny or humiliation

Today few remember this. Instead the speech is best asides, in which he acknow-

ledged, in a mock confession, that a supporter from Texas had given Mr. Nixon's In 1952, Mr. Nixon was at two daughters a puppy, which the beginning of his career. A six-year-old Tricia had

> "And you know, the kids love that dog," Mr. Nixon said, "and I just want to say this right now, that regardle of what they say about it, we're going to keep it." Thus did Mr. Nixon project the image of a man whose private life had been publicly violated by his policial control.

by his political enemies. Political sophisticates were not impressed by the speech. Some scoffed, arguing that Mr. Nixon had not yet fully exonerated himself. Many criticized him for bathos.

But the voters reacted differently. They responded to his evident distress and to the candor of his remarks. As soon

scalp only days before, now pronounced the candidate 'fully vindicated.'' His vindicated." career was saved. Last week, Mr. Clinton as Mr. Nixon went off the air, found himself in a different

In two speeches, both men made careful appeals to certain American beliefs about the right to privacy beliefs that often elude the more high-minded, moralistic critics.

telegrams began pouring into situation. Unlike Mr. Nixon. the Republican Party's nation- who was compelled by ciral headquarters demanding cumstances to state his full that he be kept on board.

known for one of Mr. Nixon's unofficial mouthpiece and an address on the subject. had demanded Mr. Nixon's

case immediately, Mr. Clin-Party leaders got the ton waited seven months message. The New York Her- from the time his relationship ald Tribune, which served as with Monica Lewinsky was the Eisenhower campaign's first alleged until he delivered

difference, Mr. Nixon had nothing to hide.

Indeed, as soon as the story about the "secret" fund broke, he truthfully insisted the fund was a matter of public record and had been audited. Mr. Clinton could make

no equivalent claim. He could not defend the ethics of his liaison with a 21-yearold intern. Worse, his one public statement about the relationship had been a denial. In his speech last week, he had to admit he had lied to the public.

In these circumstances, a wry remark about his dog, Buddy, would have done Mr. Clinton little good. Nor did it make sense to give a detailed account of his relationship plea for forgiveness.

It came as a surprise, then, when a testy and combative Mr. Clinton appeared on television. He took a parting shot at the investigators who had maneuvered him into having to parade personal matters before the public. "Even presidents private lives," he said. have

The reaction to the speech was even harsher than the response Mr. Nixon had repoliticians, columnists, editorialists and television pundits candid enough. Why, they of history at Princeson, con-asked, didn't he say he had iributed this comment to The lied to the American people New York Times.

and not merely misled them? Yet, several days after the speech, the public seems sat-isfied with it. Initial polls show that people are disap-pointed with Mr. Clinton personally but approve of his

WHAT? HE'S STILL ALIVE?

country to move on. Clinton may have appealed successfully to Americans belief that there is a line between the kinds of behavior that genuinely affect public business and those that do not. While the pundits may have expected contrition the heartland may have understood his anger at the

invasion of his private life. Of course, the Lewinsky case is far from over. We with Ms. Lewinsky. What must await the independent many observers, including counsel's report, which leaders in both parties, ex- will also contain details pected was an apology and a about Whitewater, Filegate and Travelgate. Perhaps in the end Mr. Clinton will

face impeachment. But for the moment, anyway, it seems that most Americans have little patience with those who insist that the accused speak the words others would put in their mouths. There are limits, perhaps, to the amount of humiliation Americans want imposed on Mr. Clinton, whose troubles stem from personal weakness of the public trust.

The writer, a professor

#### Passing On Ambition From Father to Son

By Paul Spencer Sochaczewski

1— On the parched that he picked up his amfairways of the Wingate bition from his father. My Park Golf Club in Zim- father bragged about my babwe, Lewis Muridzo golfing skills, too, but he takes a break from his afternoon of giving golf lessons and does what fathers as I sense Mr. Muridzo is. everywhere do. He brags

about his son. Tall, articulate and immaculately dressed. Mr. Muridzo pulls out the clippings. His son, Lewis Chitengwa, 25, plays plays

MEANWHILE

scholarship golf at the University of Virginia, He has won two college championships and finished in seventh place in the NCAA tournament. Golfweek magazine selected him as a preseason firstteam All-American.

And, as Mr. Muridzo recounts with great delight, his boy beat an amateur Tiger Woods by three shots to win the 1992 Orange Bowl World Junior Tournament in Miami. Nike contracts have started with less.

I ask myself, as I play a round with Mr. Muridzo, what would be the writing equivalent of beating Tiger? A Pulitzer? A rave review in The New York Times? Steven Spielberg calling up to see if the movie rights are available?

Mr. Muridzo has paid his dues but never hit the big time himself. He started as a caddy, became Wingate's first black manager and now is one of the few black son, too, is thriving. golf pros in Zimbabwe, a former British colony. On he pushed his children to become champions.

A daughter, Rhoda, was offered a golf scholarship to the University of Virginia but "fell pregnant" and apparently lost her competitive drive. Lewis Chitengwa is his father's

remaining hope. I have never met Lewis

HARARE, Zimbabwe junior, but I can imagine never pushed me. Yet he was a dreamer, just as much

On reflection, I see that my father provided support more subtly, but just as powerfully as Mr. Muridzo does for his son.

I remember when I wrote my first article, at the age of 15. I collected ancient European coins and penned a convoluted treatise titled 'Denarius to Denier'' for a newsletter called the World Coin Bulletin.

My father helped me take the pictures, setting up a makeshift studio on the kitchen table. Our efforts led to my first sale as a freelance writer: \$10.

As far as I am concerned, my father's softly-softly approach worked. He guided me, but never

Mr. Muridzo is taking a more direct approach. Before he put Lewis junior on

My father guided me, but never pushed.

the plane to the United States, he insisted that the boy sign a contract making the father his manager when he turns pro. Yet his

Whose way is best? Maybe both, maybe these fairways-of-dreams neither. I am working on a new book with lead roles that would be perfect for Harrison Ford and Michelle Pfeiffer. Lewis Chitengwa is working on his short game, planning to turn pro in the summer.

> The writer contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

## A Political Wolf in the Law's Clothing

TEW YORK — Bill Clinton is not the first president whose sexual behavior has become an issue. That distinction belongs to Thomas Jefferson, whose political opponents charged that he had fathered children by his slave Sally Hemings.

Jefferson survived those attacks. But suppose he had been pursued by a prosecutor who supported the oppo-sition party and believed Jefferson was evil. Suppose the prosecutor had

had limitless money. Suppose he had forced Sally Hemings testify, called Jefferson's aides and friends and subpoenced the president. How much of that would Jefferson have borne?

. The point of the historical musing is simple. We are gripped by the story of Mr. Clinton's folly and lies. But something much more dangerous to the country has happened. America has not only on Mr. Clinton but also on a new form of politics dressed as law, and it has done terrible damage to the institution of the presidency. goistaken decision that Paula Jones could press her lawsuit against Mr.

Clinton while he was in office. The suit was supported by the money of the extreme political right. With enough money, political opponents can bring a lawsuit against any president -and, win or lose, harass him for years. " Money is crucial also in the role of the independent counsel. Prosecutors have enormous power. Given the breadth of U.S. criminal law, they can find reason to prosecute just about anybody if they have ao limit of time or money. No prosecutor should have an unlimited budget.

By Anthony Lewis

The independent counsel, Kenneth Starr, has no limit on what he can spend or how long he can go on. Not only can he draw unlimited public funds for his office, but he also continues to earn millions for himself in

private practice. Mr. Starr has set a precedent especially menacing to the presidency by his obsessive intrusion into private matters. No prosecutor of good judgment would have forced Secret Service agents and the president's lawyers to testify. Mr. Start's desire to get Bill Clinton has made it harder for all presidents to have confidential conversations, harder

to live a normal life. Mr. Starr and his deputies have pressed intimate sexual questions It began with the Supreme Court's know what goes on behind the doors of their parents' bedrooms.

But this isn't about sex, Mr. Starr's defenders say; it is about perjury. No. it isn't. It is about politics.

If a malignant gossip like Linda Tripp had gone to any other prosecutor in the United States with a story that someone had falsely denied a sexual relationship in a deposition, the prosecutor would have sent her and her tapes packing. Prosecutions for false testimony in civil cases are virtually unknown.

The only reason Mr. Starr acted on Ms. Tripp's advice, and without legal authority wired her for an en-

counter with Monica Lewinsky, is that he saw a chance to destroy Mr. Clinton. That is also the reason that he or his colleagues have unlawfully leaked to the press, as a judge has found prima

facie reason to believe. Calling Mr. Clinton to testify before the grand jury was a wholly political act. Federal guidelines tell prosecutors not to ceived 46 years earlier. Many rather than from willful abuse subpoena the targets of investigations; they will invoke the Fifth Amendment. But Mr. Starr knew that the president said Mr. Clinton had not been could not, for political reasons, rest on that constitutional protection.

I think Mr. Starr had no legal power to subpoens the president. The constitution speaks of prosecution of a president after his removal from office by impeachment and conviction. And that is generally interpreted to bar prose-

cution before impeachment. If Mr. Starr cannot prosecute the president, the constitution surely also bars subpoenaing him as a target. But Mr. Starr knew that politics would bar Mr. Clinton from making that argument.

The president should not be above the law, it is said. Exactly so. But "the law" that applies to a president's wrongdoing is specified in the constitution. It is the political process of

impeachment, resting in Congress: a public, not a secret, process. Disguising politics as law in this way is profoundly anti-constitutional. It allows unelected, and unelectable, forces to destroy a president. The system will be unalterably changed if

we Americans permit the likes of Paula Jones, Linda Tripp and Kenneth Starr to determine our destiny. The New York Times.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

American Mistake? The U.S. missile strikes in Sudan and Afghanistan will turn out to be one of the greatest foreign policy blimders of the decade. In the long run, they could prove needs a war. The Americans, done, we Americans overseas

and Egypt. Osama bin Laden could not have asked for a better out- ning to see logical and effeccome than to be thrust into the tive moves against terrorism, limelight as the Muslim voice such as joint police action reof resistance to the West.

of U.S. allies in the region,

such as Turkey, Saudi Arabia

sponsoring carefully calib-rated acts of terrorism against against the United States.

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specific value-laden targets: voke a response that would make him a pan-national revolutionary leader.

disastrous to the governments stupidly, have given him one. OSMAN ERALP.

Just when we were begin-

He is raising an army and

sulting in cooperation and ar-While Mr. bin Laden's rests in the African bombings, stated goal is to rid the Middle President Bill Clinton has de-East of Western influence, his cided to pull a counterprodurrent aim is power. It is for ductive stunt that consolidates this reason that he has been the position of radicals and

support for terrorist acts.

Now that the damage is

CARL HOLM. Lamaca, Cyprus.

simply on suspicion of some kind of an attack?

Can we presume that the



devotees his reach and to pro- only be interpreted as acts of future refrain from conwidening the base of public

can brace ourselves for protracted troubles.

If the U.S. missile strikes were in accordance with international law, does this version of the law apply only to the United States, or are other countries also allowed to lob states without warning, or workplaces?

The U.S. missile strikes are United States — and the rest war against Islam, thus demning all phenomena such widening the base of public as Turkish attacks on northern Iraq, fighting along the Pakistani-Indian border, possible Russian attacks on

former satellite states, etc.? As both international and national law should presumably be based on similar fundamental principles, can we also expect amendments to national laws authorizing individuals who simply suspect someone else of attacking them, or of planning to do so, to lob bombs, missiles, bombs or missiles into other etc. into those people's homes

DAVID SHARP.

If American rightist extremists bombed the Russian Embassy in, say, London or Paris, would that entitle Moscow to launch missiles against their base in Texas or a supplier in Seantle? ROBIN THORNBER.

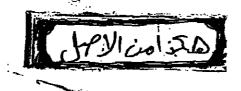
A Cartoon Elegy

Glossop, England.

Of all the stories of sadness the IHT has reported in recent times, few surpass the ssing of Doonsbury's (sadly) fictional congresswo-

man, Lacey Davenport.

It is truly a reflection of political life, not just in America but also throughout the world, that in the modern era, the person who sets the highest standards for decency and integrity in public life had to be found in a comic strip. ANDREW BRUCE. Hong Kong.







By Barbara Rosen

ONDON — If you've always dreamed of arriving at a glitzy party on the arm of Kevin Costner, would you settle for the arm of his suit?

For £60 (\$98), even the unfamous can sport the very outfit Costner wore in the 1991 movie "Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves." Of course, so could numerous other guests at the same party: There were 10 identical outfits made for the movie, and "he was supposed to have worn all of them," says Emma Angel, manager of Angels & Bermans, "Costumiers to the Entertainment In-

In a history that stretches back more than 150 years, Angels has decked out stars on stage and screen from Laurence Olivier in "Henry V" in 1944 to Nigel Hawthorne in "The Madness of King George" half a century later, from Elizabeth Taylor's "Cleopatra" (1963) to Judi Dench's Queen Victoria ("Mrs. Brown." 1997). Often, Angels simply rents the costumes out to a film, so they get them back in the end. And all 200,000 square feet (18,600 square meters) of it - some five miles of costumeladen railings — is available for hire through its shop in the heart of London's theaterland. There's also a Paris branch on Boulevard Voltaire.

The London shop boasts five floors of make-believe that ranges far beyond the threads themselves, from makeup, masks and false noses to turbans and tooth enamel. And there's much more behind the scenes: The main office in Camden stocks the lion's share of the goods.

If they don't have the original, they can re-create it, be it Sgt. Pepper or a Superhero. But if you absolutely must wear the actual garments that touched the stars, there is no shortage of choice. You can find love as Julie Andrews in

'The Sound of Music'' (1965), or lose it like Julie Christie in "Doctor Zhivago" (1965). You can bumble in Peter Sellers's "Pink Panther" raincoat and hat, or smoothly down martinis in Pierce Brosnan's James Bond suits. You can mourn in Dench's Victorian weeds or dance in Billy Connolly's kilt from 'Mrs. Brown,' which won an award for its costumes.

Hollywood hype has a direct effect on customer demand, Angel said, and new releases send out ripples that move quickly. When "Austin Powers" (1997) came out in the movie houses. everybody came into the shop for bellbottoms, clashing shirts and velvet suits. The Jane Austen fad that accompanied "Sense and Sensibility" (1995) on the big screen and "Pride and Prejudice" on the little one made for a major Regency rush.

The wave that followed "Titanic" (1997) was positively tidal, Angel said, although Angels had clothed only the film's supporting cast. Everyone started throwing "Titanic" parties, she said.

But, as often happens with period happy couple as Batman and Catwopieces, not all prospective partyers were leased with the results.

They like it on Kate Winslett, but they don't like it on themselves," said Angel, explaining that today's bodies simply aren't built like they used to be. It's a common complaint among would-"Nineteen-twenties is great if you're

a stick," she said, "but the minute you start putting breasts and hips

Angels' costumes have appeared at all kinds of parties, from an Elton John birthday bash to a wedding where everyone came in medieval dress. For another wedding, they re-created the

Of course, pretending to be a star who's pretending to be someone else can get expensive, and you've got to be extra-careful with the wine glass when wearing a borrowed frock. Angels did the bridal gowns for "Four Weddings and a Funeral" (1994); the very dress Andie MacDowell finally chose to wear when marrying Corin Redgrave rents for about £400, and the big black hat she wore to another of the film's nuptials

rents for £70 to £80. One of Helen Mirren's grand gowns from "The Madness of King George" also rents in the £400 price range; add another £50 for a wig to go with it.

Whe Rope Annie Lennox came to Angels for the headdress that fronts her 1992 "Diva" album; it originally appeared in the 1983 James Bond flick "Octopussy," and rents for just £30. (All prices are before 17.5 percent value-added tax.) Hires are for one week and usually require a deposit of at least £100. Customers are responsible for any damage; insurance is available.

But while Angels can turn almost any adult into Alice in Wonderland or Red Riding Hood, they can't re-create the Von Trapp Family singers. Angels doesn't dress children.

Barbara Rosen is a free-lance journalist based in London



Among the attire for rent at Angels & Bermans in London, 18th-century costumes from "Sense and Sensibility.

#### **BOOKS**

NEW CHOSTS, OLD CHOSTS Prisons and Labor Reform Camps in China

By James Seymour and Richard Anderson. Forward by Fan Sidong. 313 pages. \$39.95. M.E. Sharpe.

Reviewed by Richard Bernstein

ONE reason China presents such a large human rights question is the very opacity of the country, its vastness and its invisibility to the outside world - even though things are a lot more visible today than they were in the past.

There is no doubt that some peaceful protesters, independent labor-union organizers and human-rights campaigners have been imprisoned. But how many? And what can be said of conditions in the fabled labor camp system in the country's remote northwest? Does it, as some critics have said, produce a substantial portion of China's exports? Is it a vast state within a state in the spirit of

the former Soviet Gulag Archipelago? Those questions have never before received more careful answers than they get in "New Ghosts, Old Ghosts," James Seymour and Richard Anderson's important and timely examination of the Chinese prison system. The overall conclusion of those two respected experts on human rights in China may come as a surprise to those who have become accustomed to the image of

China as a kind of post-Stalinist hell. There is nothing in this book that would remove China from the list of countries with major human-rights violations. But Seymour and Anderson, while detailing abuses, correct many of the exaggerated visions of the Chinese picture, which, they argue, is bad but not nearly as bad as some have maintained.

"Éven at its worst, the laogai is not, as some have claimed, 'the Chinese equivalent of the Soviet Gulag," "they conclude. (Laogai is the Chinese expression for reform through labor and is used in this book as a synonym for the Chinese prison system.) "The crudeness of China's judicial proceThis would strongly indicate that the dures does result in people sometimes must be said that the majority of prisoners have been incarcerated for the same reasons they are in other countries: They are believed to have committed a crime. Only a tiny percentage of post-Mao-era laogai prisoners have been sentenced for political reasons." Moreover, addressing another issue that has been treated with more emotion than lucidity by other analysts, the authors of this book conclude that the langui system is economically minuscule.

"Although much has been made of the economic importance of forced labor in China, in fact prison output makes no significant contribution to the gross domestic product," they conclude.

Seymour and Anderson concentrate on China's vast and sparsely populated northwest. These are the territories --Gansu and Qinghai provinces and the Xinjiang Autonomous Region — where large numbers of China's most notorious prison camps have been built, especially in the long, harsh years of Maoist dictatorship.

The authors warn early on that "the Chinese government's distortion, obfuscation and secrecy make it difficult to count many of China's penal institutions or to estimate how large each is."

Despite the difficulties, "New Ghosts, Old Ghosts" provides an impressively detailed portrait of prison conditions in each of the three areas.

Seymour and Anderson begin with a kind of walking tour of the several detention centers and langui factories that one would see in Xining, the major city of eastern Qinghai.

The authors estimate the number of prisoners in each area, the totals being large but far from Maoist or Stalinesque in dimension. They estimate the Xinji-

nationwide prison population is a small fraction of the 6 million to 8 million being convicted of crimes by mis-take," the authors continue. "Still, it estimated by another human rights camoners in Xinjiang are a substantial number of political prisoners, especially Muslims who have been rounded up by Chinese police intent on suppressing separatist sentiment in Xinjiang, largely pulated by Turkic-speaking Uighurs.

The serious human rights problem that Seymour and Anderson stress is not the size of the prison population nor that prisoners are made to work but their treatment, which is often abysmal.

In Xinjiang, they collect information on a "secret laogai operation known as the Gray (Huise) Uranium Mine," which they call "the grimmest laogal unit that our research turned up." The death rate in this camp, probably be cause of the radioactivity of the cause of the cau ore mined there, is between 10 percent and 20 percent per year.

Other prisoners work in coal mines where "some become ill from black lung disease, but many do not live long enough to develop that malady, as safety conditions are atrocious."

This careful, sober study might well induce human rights activists to turn their attention away from the size of China's prison population to what the authors describe as the more fundamental concerns: "the substantial num! ber of prisoners who do not belong there and the harshness of the conditions in the less well-managed in

In reaching that overall conclusion 'New Ghosts, Old Ghosts" clears away both the pro-Chinese apologies and the anti-Chinese hysteria that has often surrounded this question, provid ing instead the most objective and dispassionate evaluation of the real situation that we are likely to have.

New York Times Service

# A Detour to a Fashion Haven

Starstruck fans clamored for hell-bottoms and velvet suits after "Austin

Powers," top, and period costumes from "The Madness of King George."

By Elizabeth Hayt New York Times Service

TLANTA — On a sweltering Saturday in midsummer, when the department stores in many big cities were dead, Jeffrey Kalinsky's Atlanta mall boutique, which sells some of fashion's most desirable designs, was jammed with customers.

They were not bargain hunters at an end-of-summer sale, but style mavens in search of full-price fall clothing from Helmut Lang, Jil Sander and Comme des Garcons. The customers were so numerous that the stockroom, bathroom and manager's office served as dressing rooms. The floor was littered with Manolo Blahniks, the counters and benches piled high with castoff Lucien Pellat-Finet cashmere sweaters and sumptuous Dries van Noten skirts. It felt like the backstage commotion of a runway show, with women in mismatched outfits, scrambling to pull jackets and pants off the racks.

'Come on, work yourself, girl." Kalinsky chided a customer, turning up the collar of a Prada coat she was trying on.

Kalinsky, 35, a former shoe buyer for Barneys New York, arrived in Atlanta in 1990, a Pied Piper of high fashion, convinced that a desire for sophisticated apparel was not limited to Manhattan. His insight, coupled with extraordinary personal attention to customers — he sometimes flies them to Europe to view runway shows with him — has built a mini-empire of fashionable clothing below the Mason-Dixon line.

He owns three stores: Jeffrey, a multi-designer boutique; Bob Ellis Shoes, a branch of his family's shoe-store chain. and a Jil Sander boutique. All are connected in Phipps Plaza, a mall on Peachtree Street in the Buckhead section of Atlanta.

'It is the oninion of most people in the fashion industry that if it's not in New York or L.A., then it doesn't exist," Kalinsky said. "We have a ton of people in Atlanta and everywhere who have good taste and want nice things. You'd be shocked where my customers come from - Dothan. Alabama, and Rome, Georgia. A woman in Mobile, Alabama, who has money buys from me. She goes to Barneys in New York. she calls Jil Sander in San Francisco and then she ultimately comes back to me because she realizes she doesn't have to

go anywhere else. With a reputation spread by word of mouth, even among fashion insiders in Manhattan. Kalinsky's stores make more than 50 percent of their multimillion-dollar yearly sales to out-oftown customers. He handpicks items with a customer's shape and tastes in mind, then sends off a package of clothes for her to try on. Other customers fly to Atlanta expressly to visit his shops.

"I came to Atlanta today only to shop," Ellen Carey said, standing before a mirror in an ivory Jil Sander skirt and sweater. Carey owns Seed, a wholesale and public relations company in New

York for young clothing designers.
"It's been a well-kept secret." she said of Kalinsky's stores. "Jeffrey runs



Jeffrey Kalinsky has built a fashion mini-empire in an Atlanta mall.

around and encourages you to try things you'd never try. He has a total vision: the bag, the shoes and what else he's bought, and puts it together in an amazing way. The joy of Jeffrey is he does know what you want in New York.

She added, "Also, you feel really glamorous flying to Atlanta for the day

Jackie Reses, an investment banker at Goldman, Sachs in New York, discovered Kalinsky's stores on a business trip. Now, she makes it a point to route her travel through Atlanta whenever possible. "I literally will go out of my way to go to the store if I'm in Atlanta." said Reses, who considers Kalinsky's shoe selection the best in the country. "If I were on a Delta flight going toward the South, I would stop in Atlanta for the

FTER the 1994 Super Bowl and 1996 Olympics were held in Atlanta, Kalinsky's mailing list expanded to include visiting celebrities, musicians and athletes'

"I probably buy half my wardrobe through him," said Ann Tenenbaum of Manhattan. "In New York, you can buy whatever you want, but it can be a hassle here. Jeffrey makes it easy. He sends me these huge boxes. In the beginning of the season, he could send me a box with 30 things in it, sometimes with an additional 10 pairs of shoes. It's like the store comes to you. I pick a few pieces and send the rest back."

Both immensely accommodating and shrewd at business. Kalinsky mails follow-up notes advising a customer how to wear her new purchases, answers late-night emergency phone calls about shoes and lavishes flowers and other gifts on preferred customers. He also trains his 28 employees in the art of personal service and requires them to attend Saturday-morning style clinics at the store, complete with a makeshift runway and models. "If I don't explain the clothes to my sales associates, how could they understand Commes des Garcons?" he said.

Bergdorf Goodman's president, Dawn Mello, said Kalinsky "really knows what people want to wear," adding: "He's up to the minute in the sense of style, but he's not extreme. It's right on target."

Taking customers with him to Europe for the fashion collections or paying for airline tickets for a shopping spree at his stores might seem extravagant, but it 'To spend \$300 on a plane ticket for someone who spends \$16,000
— who cares?" Kalinsky exclaimed.
"Free gift with purchase!"

#### CHESS

By Robert Byrne

GOR SHLIPERMAN won the tiebreak playoff against Michael Mulyar to take the 1998 United States Junior Championship title. The 18-yearold international master from Rego Park, Queens, will be seeded into the 1999 United States Championship.

In the two-game tiebreak, with 10 minutes for each player, Shliperman won the first and drew the second to down his 19-year-old rival from West-

SHILIPERMANISHACK 

MIE VARAMUTE Position after 30 Bd3 minster, Colorado.

In the final round, Shiperman came through to win from Mulyar, overtaking the leader and earning the right to contest the tiebreaker. Although Shliperman chose the challenging Benoni Defense, both players handled it in conservative style until Mulyar erred and got caught in a fatal trap late in the game.

The characteristic Benoni formation arises after 7 e4: White will attempt to achieve the central break with e5; Black will counter this by an advance of his queenside pawn majority; besides, either can adopt a strategy of restraint against the opponent's chief weapon. After it was popularized by the brilliant Tal and Fischer in the 1960's, it was later considered

risky, but is now making a comeback.
With 10...Bg4 11 Bf4 Bf3 12 Bf3, Black exchanges off the white king knight, which could otherwise provide powerful support for the e5 advance. Ina match in Leon, Spain, last year Illescas Cordoba played 11...Qe7 against Anand, giving him the chance to keep his king knight with 12 Nd2 Be2 13 Qe2 and after 13...Nh5 14 Be3 Nd7 15 Rael,

White had a slight superiority.

After 18 Bc2, the white king bishop was well placed, but it just took too long to get there. And Shliperman was already mobilizing his queenside

phalanx with 18...c4. After 23 Nd4, with Mulyar threatening a crushing 24 Nc6, Shliperman had

to act quickly with 23...c3 24 bc bc 25 Qc2 (perhaps 25 Qd1 was better) Nc5. Mulyar's 26 Nb5 was overconfident. After 26... Nc4!, he grabbed the annoge ing c pawn with 27 Nc3?, falling into 27...Ne3 28 Qe3 Ng4!

After 29 fg Rc3 30 Bd3 Rb41, Shliperman threatened a simultaneous attack on both the queen and the a7 rook. There was no remedy.

After 34...Ba7, Shliperman was a piece ahead and after 39...Re1 there was no defense against 40...Rf1. Mulyar gave up.

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# On the Ropes in Russia, Oligarchy' Fights Back

By David Hofmann

MOSCOW — The Russian financial crisis last week brought most of the big Moscow banks and wealthy tycoons to their knees. The devaluation of the ruble put some of Russia's preeminent fin-

anciers into insolvency, or near it.
On Sunday, the bankers and tycoons

In summoning Viktor Chernomyrdin to become acting prime minister, only emonths after he had been dismissed. sident Boris Yeltsin cked the favored NEWS

hoice of a coterie of

olitically active Rus ANALYSIS tian magnates, known as the "olig-tichy." Several of them have longed to acint Mr. Chemomyrdin as successor Mr. Yeltsin. And they clearly hope fr. Chemomyrdin will bail out their

ling banks.
The Russian RTS index closed Mon-

Mr. Yeltsin's abrupt decision is also latest example of his increasingly entait leadership in recent months. He has appeared confused and disoriented at times. He twice fired prime ministers and their governments. And he devalued the Russian ruble only three days after vowing not to do so.

Last week, Mr. Yeltsin stayed silent, not saying a word about the crisis, while the country's finances went up in smoke. r In his brief announcement Sunday

night, Mr. Yeltsin offered no explanation for ousting Sergei Kiriyenko, 36, A government official who works closely with Mr Kinner offered his resignation when Mr. Yeltsin made the devaluation decision a week ago, but the president did not

However, the Kremlin maneuvering to replace Mr. Kiriyenko was well under way last week, even as he was being swamped by the currency crisis.

According to a well-informed source, Mr. Chemomyrdin met repeatedly last week with Valentin Yumashev, Mr. Yeltsin's chief of staff, to discuss a return to government.

Mr. Yumashev and Mr. Yeltsin's daughter, Tatiana Dyachenko, are the key gatekeepers for access to the president, and both have been close to Boris Berezovsky, an auto, oil and airline magnate who is often candid about the political desires of the oligarchy.

For months, Mr. Berezovsky has been openly touting Mr. Chemomyrdin as the tycoons' favorite to succeed Mr. Yeltsin, although Mr. Chemomyrdin's clumsy public style and mangled sentences have led political commentators to doubt whether he could win an election.

However, coming back as prime min-ister could help Mr. Chernomyrdin's prospects immensely.

Mr. Yeltsin named full authority of the position.

Under the constitution, Chemomyrdin would become president the provincial banker and oil executive temporarily if Mr. Yeltsin is incapa-



A trader at the Interbank Currency Exchange in Moscow after a grim session on Monday as the ruble fell almost 2 percent in official trading.

until the end of his term in the year 2000, Mr. Chernomyrdin will have a power base on which to build a campaign for

Mr. Chernomyrdin's return is also just in time to help his patrons, who are in financial agony. "The oligarchy has been trying to get Chernomyrdin back for months," this source said. "They

#### Chernomyrdin as acting prime minister. citated or resigns. An election would be But he is expected to seek Parliament's held within three months. confirmation of Mr. Chernomyrdin with Even if Mr. Yeltsin remains in office

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# Global Financial Crisis Now Rocks Latin America

By John Paul Rathbone

CARACAS - It's already been a long hard summer for Latin America's bruised stock markets, but the worst may be yet to come.

Despite rock-bottom prices, valuations are increasingly irrelevant in determining fair equity value, analysts said, as the region succumbs to generalized emerging-markets panic and fundamentals are increasingly ignored. "The tone is not that positive," said Jose Gonzalez, Credit Suisse's Latin American strategist. "Despite some enspuraging rebounds Friday on the Dow and in Brazil, nothing's fundamentally changed." He added, "There's no rea-son to think we're building to a rally."

Venezuelan devaluation fears triggered a sell-off in Latin American markets last week as the Russian and Asian currency crises threatened to take root in

U.S. fund managers, closing positions ahead of traditional vacations before Labor Day on Sept. 7, only added to the market gloom.

In the coming week, the ruble and yen will return to the driver's seat, setting sentiment for the region and emerging markets worldwide, with the outcome of Russia's ruble bond restructuring the key event to watch.

In Argentina, the market was expected to continue volatile and edgy with an eye abroad and only the possibility of bottom-fishing helping the bourse regain some of its lost ground. The Merval index dropped 15.8 per-

cent on the week to end at a 34-month low of 407.22 points, despite the economy's sound fundamentals. It edged up 0.14 percent on Monday.
In Brazil, traders said the market re-

mained skittish, with investors fearing that Russian-style currency turmoil

might take root in Latin America.
"If nothing is solved over the week-

end on either Russia's banking crisis or in Venezuela, I don't see how the market is going to get better this week," a Banco Santander trader said. "People are too afraid to buy."

The Bovespa index closed down 11 percent in the week at 7,764 points, its lowest level since January 1997, and fell a further 0.76 percent on Monday.

In Chile worries about the peso, sparked by Venezuelan contagion, will headline concerns that the bolsa may sink even further on the need for higher interest rates and tighter liquidity to defend the currency.

The IPSA index fell 10 percent last week to a new four-year low, closing at 72.83 points on Friday, before falling 1 percent further on Monday.

In Mexico, dealers forecast continuing volatility, although 3,150 is seen as a floor for the benchmark IPC index, according to Hector Jimenez, head of analysis at the Inverlat brokerage.

The market, down nearly 47 percent

so far this year, dropped 5 percent last week to end at 3.413.15 points, a 19-

month low, and fell 0.31 percent further

on Monday. In Venezuela, the bolsa's IBC index, rattled by fears of a devaluation, dropped a stunning 22 percent last week to a 29-month low of 3,172.29 points, although it rallied 0.15 percent on Monday. The market, Latin America's worst performing, has dropped more than 63 percent so far this year.

# In Duel With Union

Strike Settled, With Only 277 to Lose Jobs

Hyundai Retreats

By Don Kirk International Herald Tribun

SEOUL - Under pressure from the overnment, Hyundai Motor Co. agreed Monday to fire less than 20 percent of the workers it had planned to dismiss, giving in to strikers who have shut down its main plant in Ulsan for six weeks.

Hyundai Motor was the first South Korean manufacturer to try to dismiss workers under a law enacted this year that called for layoffs as part of the efforts by government, business and labor to adhere to an International Mon-

etary Fund economic reform program. Both management and labor viewed the settlement Monday as having a farreaching impact on South Korea's efforts to restructure and revive its economy. Business leaders denounced it as setting a bad precedent for other companies' attempts to downsize, while labor representatives saw it as sending a signal to conglomerate leaders that workers could not be dismissed at will.

President Kim Dae Jung of South Korea was clearly relieved not to have had to order about 12,000 police posted outside the Hyundai compound to clear out the several thousand workers and their families encamped there. He sought to mollify angry business leaders by emphasizing that "the labor side has accepted the principle of layoffs."

But a Hyundai spokesman, Shin Hyun Kyu, said the agreement was 'not satisfactory.' He said the company had acted properly, laying off workers as prescribed by a new labor law, but that the union had "occupied the factory illegally and achieved their own goal

even though they broke the law." Under the agreement, hammered out during an all-night bargaining session in Ulsan that was supervised by the minister of labor, the chairman of Hyundai Motor, Chung Mong Gyu, reluctantly assented to dismissing only 277 of the 1,538 workers who were sent dismissal notices on July 30.

The workers who lost their jobs will receive severance pay of seven to nine months' salary, while the rest of the notified employees will be furloughed for eight months without salary and then given six months of training for new jobs. Sixty percent of the 277 who were let go were women who had worked in kitchens on the compound.

With this joint effort, we will do our best to normalize our factory," Mr. Chung said after shaking hands with the union leader, Kim Kwang Sik.

Standing beside them, Labor Min-ister Lee Ki Ho said, "Without involvement of the police, we have talked so the union and the company can solve the problem peacefully."

Kim Kwang Sik said he expected the union's 28,000 members to approve the pact by the end of the week. He agreed to 250 to 300 layoffs Friday, breaking an apparent impasse in talks arranged by

members of the president's governing

Mr. Chung, in the final stages of negotiations, said Hyundai had to dismiss at least 500 workers amid a national economic crisis in which production at Hyundai, South Korea's largest motor vehicle maker, has fallen by more than half. The company, which has already dropped 6,750 of its 46,000 workers through voluntary retirement, suffered a net loss of 1.2 billion won, (\$924,000) in the first six months of this year and expects to post its

first annual loss in 27 years. President Kim, who had advocated the layoffs law before his inauguration in February, hailed the settlement as "a great opportunity to form a new labormanagement culture.

Mr. Shin, the Hyundai spokesman, said the company had lost production of 105,465 vehicles. He estimated total financial losses for the company at 905 billion won and losses for companies that make parts for Hyundai vehicles at 700 billion won.

"We are very, very much disappointed," said Bae Ie Dong, deputy secretarygeneral of the Federation of Korean Industries. The settlement, he said, "will set some bad precedent in many aspects."

"It will influence efforts in current restructuring not only for private business but for many state-funded organizations," he said. "It will certainly hurt foreign investors."

David Young, vice president in charge of the Seoul office of Boston Consulting Co., agreed.

"I'm afraid it doesn't bode well," he said. 'It is going to send a lot of wrong signals to international markets."

## MEDIA MARKETS

# Do-It-Yourself Law: Texas Objects

By Doreen Carvajal New York Times Service

BERKELEY, California -- Within the rebellious corporate culture of Nolo Press, the publisher of do-ityourself legal guides, scom is a business tool mightier than any conventional marketing strategy.

The airy clockworks factory that houses the company here is decorated with fashionable "legal briefs" baggy boxer shorts emblazoned with briefcase-toting sharks — and toasters declaring the defiant company motto: "Don't feed the lawyers. Just say

Its warren of offices is inhabited by self-described recovering lawyers and white-shoe refugees who write and publish guides to the mysteries of the legal world - from preparing a will or seeking a divorce to fighting a traffic ticket or muzzling a neighbor's barking dog. For 27 years, Nolo has thrived on

unrestrained hostility to pettifoggers. The desks of some Nolo executives contain treats of shark-shaped gummy lawyers and the company's awardwinning Web site features a running list of lawyer jokes classified in 20 categories ranging from "Outrageous Fees" to "Lawyers as Crooks, Cheats

and Felons." This corporate philosophy has given Nolo a warrior's rhetoric in a rare turf battle that pits Nolo's irreverent founder and publisher, Ralph Warner, against a group of lawyers who believe

only lawyers can practice law. The lawyers are volunteers on special subcommittees anointed by the Supreme Court of Texas to investigate and stamp out what is formally called the unauthorized practice of law in the state. "I don't believe there's a constitutional right to practice law in the state of Texas," said Mark Ticer, the lawyer who is chairman of the Dallas

"As a general premise, everybody should have access to the legal system, but the question is: What are the rules and guidelines?'

Most often the targets of the subcommittees are advice-giving paralegals, who face the committee members in closed-door hearings, which determine whether the lawyers will unleash lawsuits against offenders. But in June of last year, a volunteer lawyer from the Houston subcommittee sent a certified letter to Nolo, notifying the company that its products were the subject of an investigation.

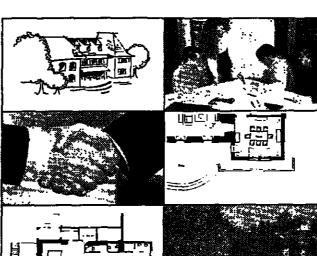
A handful of other publishers were also investigated, including Parsons Technology of Iowa, a unit of Broder-bund Software Inc., which was eventually sued in federal court by the lawyers to halt sales of its Quicken Family Lawyer software. That lawsuit is pending, as are the hearings for other

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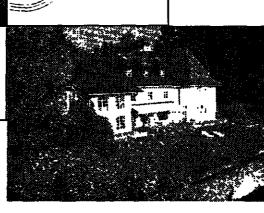
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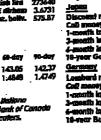
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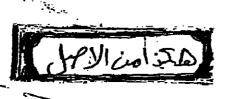
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Northrop Grumman Corp., whose merger with Lockheed

Martin Corp. collapsed last month after the deal faced

• AMP Inc., the manufacturer of electrical and electronic

devices and systems, said it would go to federal court to try to

stop AlliedSignal Inc. from placing representatives on the

AMP board as part of a \$10 billion hostile takeover attempt.

• The foreign share of Japan's microchip market fell

during the first three months of 1998 to 31.7 percent from 32.7

Calgon Carbon Corp. suspended its plan to seek a sale of

the company and said it would reorganize, cut costs, re-

• Wendy's International Inc. has named Coca-Cola Co. its

exclusive soft-drink supplier for the next decade, locking out

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percent during the last quarter of 1997, U.S. officials said.

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Monday on optimism that interest rates at near-record lows will protect Selkin, chief market strategist at the market from spreading global financial turmoil.

Drugmakers such as American Home Products led the gains.

The Dow Jones industrial average from 5.45 percent. closed 32.96 points higher, at 8,566.61. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index gained 6.95, to 1,088.13. The Nasdaq composite index fell 6.85, to 1,790.76, dragged down by Tellabs.

Optimism that low interest rates will help companies increase profits is underpinning the market, analysts

On Friday, the yield on the benchmark 30-year bond touched 5.38 percent, its lowest level since the Treasury began regular sales in

"We have rates at all-time low

NEW YORK — Stocks rose against any kind of end-of-the-londay on optimism that interest world disaster," said Douald Joseph Gunnar & Co.

The benchmark 30-year Treasury bond was down 13/32 at 100 18/32, taking the yield up to 5.46 percent

But investors are also concerned

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that Russian and Latin American economic turmoil will add to the problems U.S. companies face because of Asia's recession.

Even so, the picture at home is 57%. positive, with earnings continuing to grow, if more slowly than in recent years, and interest rates near

'We do have some clouds on the horizon," said James Walline of the Lutheran Brotherhood Fund. Still.

which indicates stocks won't drop much further, he said.

the company said its experimental painkilling drug, one of a new class sales potential, will get a faster-thanusual review by U.S. regulators.

Other drugmakers also gained. Investors prize drug companies for law violations. their ability to post steady earnings growth even in a slowing economy. Merck rose 21/2 to 1311/2, leading the Dow average's advance, American Home Products rose 41/8 to

Telephone shares also railied, as investors sought the safety of relatively high dividends.

BellSouth gained 11/2 to 68 5/16. AilTel gained 1 9/16 to 43, and SBC Communications rose 11/16 to 40%. General Motors declined 14 to

ence that underscored these concerns.

In a Jupiter survey, 21 percent of

Such doubts notwithstanding, some big packaged-goods companies have decided that they should take a

leap of faith by stepping up their on-line efforts. For example, Unilever

NV, the company behind brands like Popsicle, Lipton and Ragu, has

signed a deal with America Online

Inc. that calls for experiments rang-

ing from banner ads to the creation of

new on-line areas devoted to food,

biles and books on-line, but I don't

know if it will be a good place to sell

detergent," Richard Goldstein, head

of the North American unit of Uni-

lever, a British-Dutch company, said

in an interview. Still, "you can't sit

back and wait to see what happens,"

Mr. Goldstein added. "You have to

was an Internet pioneer in 1995 when it set up Eat.com, a tongue-in-

cheek site about Italian cooking and

culture, labeled Mama's Cucina,

which Unilever's Lipton Inc. food

unit has continued to update.

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Unilever's Ragu spaghetti sauce

get involved and experiment."

"It appears you can sell automo

health, cleaning and grooming.

levels. That should cushion us "you've got falling interest rates 63%. Whirlpool fell 2% to 531/2. and earnings that are slightly high- Texaco fell 1 15/16 to 60% and Chevron declined 1% to 78 5/16. PennCorp Financial Group was

Monsanto rose 41/6 to 611/6 after up 13/16 at 2 9/16. Keith Maib was promoted to chief executive officer and David Smith was named nonof drugs with multibillion-dollar executive chairman by the insurer, which is currently being investigated by the Securities and Exchange Commission for possible securities

> David Stone, who had been chairman and CEO, will continue as a

AlliedSignal dropped 21/2 to 35 5/ 16 after saying Friday it would press on with a bid for AMP. AMP, the world's biggest maker of electronic connectors, sued AlliedSignal in federal court to block the aerospace company's takeover bid. Ciena rose 41/2 to 361/2 on optimism that Tellabs will not abandon its purchase of

Shares Plummet

For CyberGuard

FORT LAUDERDALE, Florida — CyberGuard Corp.

share prices plunged Monday after the company said it would

restate financial results for its

third quarter ended March 31

because of improperly recog-

ternet security services fell

the chief executive, Robert Car-

berry, and the chief financial of-

ficer, Bill Murray, pending a re-

At issue is revenue related to

CyberGuard also warned

fourth-quarter earnings would

be hurt as it retools its revenue

from \$6.187 to \$1.8125.

distributors and resellers.

recognition policies.

Shares in the provider of In-

CyberGuard said it suspended

nized revenue.

and almost daily warnings of in-tervention by other officials have helped prop up the Japanese cur-

Sheldon Engler, a currency strategist at Bank of America in San Francisco, said that such talk

The dollar was quoted at 4 P.M. at

on Friday. fears 'also Market affairs,

The Bank of Japan last intervened to support the yen in concert with U.S. authorities on June 17. The impact was short-lived, with the dollar rising to an 8-year high of 147.62

Deutsche mark, slipping to 1.7963 DM from 1.7976 DM on Friday, on expectations that the economic and political turmoil in Russia would not slow German growth even if Russian borrowers defaulted on loans.

doesn't justify an exceptionally weak mark," said Uwe Fueluer, the head of currency sales at Credit Agricole Indosuez. "The growth ourlook still looks robust for Ger-

1.5006 Swiss francs, down from 1.5027 francs, and at 6.0175 French francs, down from 6.0266 francs. The pound was quoted at

#### Pampers diapers, Cover Girl makeup and Olean fat substitute. "Those have a narrow target audience with a more personal subject matter," said Denis Beausejour,

vice president for advertising. The company, for example, has turned Pampers.com into the Pampers Parenting Institute, addressing various issues of concern to new or expectant parents. "Our site lets a woman who is pregnant explore what will happen Procter & Gamble, meanwhile, to her in private, so she doesn't have has put most of its on-line marketing to ask stupid questions," Mr. Bean-

# Tokyo Pledge To Back Yen Hurts Dollar

NEW YORK - The dollar fee

against the year on Monday after a top Japanese finance official said his country was prepared to sell dollars to bolster the Japanese currency.

'Japan is ready to take action in currency markets whenever necessary," said Haruhiko Kuroda, director of the Finance Ministry's international bureau. His comments A

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'seems to be working to some degree, so they're keeping it up."
But, he added, "the yen could hold at these levels for several more days, but not over the long term," because of Japan's weak economy and inaction by the government on resolving the country's banking

143.78 yen, down from 144.775 yen

heightened by remarks made by Japan's deputy finance minister for international affairs, Essue international Sakakibara. He said that sentiment about Japan's economy may be bottoming out and that "given that simation, it makes sense to intervene."

yen on Aug. 11.
The dollar was lower against the

"Germany's exposure to Russia

The dollar was also quoted at

panty liners, Tampax tampons, you can get in that context."

#### Selling Soap Without Soap Operas Evan Neufeld, an analyst with the

By Saul Hansell

CINCINNATI -- Now that the Internet has become the first medium to actually reduce the viewintense regulatory scrutiny, announced a restructuring that ership of television, Procter & Gamble Co. is trying to figure out use the Internet to peddle packaged cent said they clicked only rarely. • Merrill Lynch & Co. agreed to pay \$2 million to settle federal regulators' allegations of negligence arising from the 1994 bankruptcy of Orange County, California; Merrill neither admitted nor denied wrongdoing in the settlement. how to sell soap on the Net without

That is why the company convened a two-day "summit" meeting over the weekend here that tion of the nearly \$1 billion spent for brought together some 400 top executives from Internet and consumer marketing companies. In the end, there were few easy

answers. Many of the Internet executives who attended the meeting argued that P&G was asking the wrong question. The Internet, these executives said, might not be so much about mass-market brand building as about providing detailed information about brands consumers already recognize from other media, the way Ford Motor Co. Evan Neufeld, an analyst with the research firm Jupiter Communicadoes with its automobiles, or for selling things directly, Amazon.com does with books.

Yet Procter and others insist that Internet users polled said they never they can, indeed must, find ways to clicked on banner ads, while 51 pergoods. So far, P&G and other consumer product companies have been doubtful enough of the payoff to have contributed only a small fracon-line advertising last year.

Most on-line advertising today

takes the form of banner ads - the rectangles often seen at the top or bottom of Web pages, which if clicked on the user to the advertiser's Web site. But these banners were widely disparaged at the P&G meeting as being too small, too ineffectual and too easy to ignore, to perform the hard work of building brands and selling products.

#### **Weekend Box Office**

The Associated Press LOS ANGELES - Blade dominated the U.S. box office over the weekend, with a gross of 17 million.

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2. Şaving Private Ryan	DreamWorks	\$10.1 m <b>illio</b> n
3 Something About Mary	20th Century Fax	\$7.9 million
4Stella Gat Her Groove Back	20th Century Fee	S&A million
5. Snake Eyes	Par district	noillim [_22
6. Dead Man on Compos	Paramount	\$4,7 m <b>ili</b> tors
7. Dance With Me	Columbus Pictures	S4.5 million
7. Ever After	20th Century Faz	S4.5 million
9. The Parent Trap 413	Distry	s3,8 million
10. Halloween: H20 T	 Dimenuios Fili	\$3,7 million
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Following are the Top 10 moneymakers, based on Saturday's ticket sales and estimated sales for Sunday.

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DreamWorks	\$10.1 million
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## **BA Purchase** Of at Least 59 **Airbus Planes** Is Expected

PARIS — British Airways PLC is expected to announce Tuesday a decision to buy 59 Airbus Industrie planes, with options for up to 200 more, breaking its longtime record as a Boeing-only customer, two people familiar with the decision aid Monday.

The order, worth as much as \$11 billion if all options are exercised. would be a victory for the European planemaker, which has struggled to woo Europe's largest airline as a

a, A spokesman for BA declined to comment but indicated that an announcement was planned.

An Airbus spokesman said he understood that BA would make a final decision Monday on whether to pick Airbus or Boeing for equipping its short-haul fleet. The spokesman made no further compent

would be a blow to Boeing Co.'s plans for its revamped 737 to directly compete with Airbus, While Boeing remains the clear market leader, Airbus, which has traditionally held 30 percent of the market for commercial aircraft, won 45 percent of new, firm orders last year.

Airbus has called a news conference for Tuesday in Toulouse, at which Prime Minister Tony Blair of Britain will be present. The invitation did not mention BA, and the planemaker deplined to say whether the subject of the conference would be BA's order.

ir The British carrier has never purental Steam Navigation PLC of Bri-tain agreed to combine their English chased an Ambus plane even though British Aerospace is a partner in the Airbus partnership, along with Aerospatiale SA of France, Daimler-Benz Aerospace AG of Germany and Construcciones Aero-European Union and British reg-ulators cleared the venture in November The P&O Stena Line pauticas of Spain.

, BA is also widely expected to place an order with Boeing for wide-bodied

planes in the coming days. On Aug. 10, BA's chief exec-utive, Bob Ayling, indicated the airline was likely : buy more Boeing 7,77 jetliners, the latest sign it is Union's ban of duty-free sales due moving away from jumbo 747s as to take effect next year had forced it recession in Asia crimps industry to make management changes.

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# Pfizer to Focus on Obesity Drug

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Stena's total passenger volume fell 3 percent, to 4.244 million pas-

Stena said the total freight market

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Stena said its first-half results

leave the company," it said.

LONDON --- One of Britain's smallest drug research companies, Phytopharm PLC, got a major lift Monday when the U.S. giant Pfizer Inc. signed a deal to develop an obesity treatment based on a South

Shares in Phytopharm, which have risen sharply in recent weeks on speculation about a deal, closed up 0.95 percent, or 11 pence, at £1.27.

Pfizer, the maker of the blockbuster impotence drug Viagra, will pay Phytopharm as much as \$39 million to develop P57, an appetite-suppressant derived from extracts of a plant developed by South Africa's Council for Scientific and Industrial Re-

The backing of Pfizer is a major coup for Phytopharm, which has often been mocked for its plantbased approach to drug research. Phytopharm specializes in making medicines from ancient herbal remedies, of which the most advanced is a treatment for eczema, a skin condition.

the chief executive of Phytopharm. Although Phytopharm's obesity drug has not been

'I think this is a milestone," said Richard Dixey,

months of 1998 and said it expected Denmark and Norway.

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**Costs Linked to Channel Deal** 

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STOCKHOLM — The Swedish

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Monday posted a loss for the first six

Stena said costs linked to a new

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Perhaps most importantly, the product appears to have few side effects — a major advantage in a market which has seen a number of drugs withdrawn

Obesity is becoming a major target for drug The U.S. market alone is already thought be worth around \$3 billion a year, with up to 65 million Americans estimated to be obese.

in recent months because of health scares.

"Everyone wants to have an anti-obesity product because basically there is nothing effective out there. and the market potential probably dwarfs Viagra — that is not an exaggeration," one analyst said.

The obesity-drug market is still largely dominated older, generic drugs after American Home Products Corp. and Interneuron Pharmaceuticals Inc. last year withdrew their treatments because they were linked to heart valve problems.

The Pfizer deal has raised hopes of other major partnerships — in addition to P57, Phytopharm is working on plant-based medicines for areas including arthritis, baldness and Alzheimer's disease. Mr. Dixey said Phytopharm was in talks with Pfizer and other companies of similar caliber to the U.S. giant.
(Reuters, Bloomberg)

#### Norway Raises Two Key Rates

Reuters

OSLO - The central bank of Norway raised key interest rates Monday by 1 percentage point, its seventh increase this year, to defend a currency

battered by low oil prices.

Norges Bank raised the overnight lending rate to 10 percent from 9 percent and the deposit rate to 8 percent from 7 percent, effective Tuesday. But it signaled that it would not increase rates further, saying that for now it would no longer use its monetary policy instruments.

The central bank has been under pressure to raise rates after the krone plunged to a sixyear low against the European currency unit Monday, despite a rate increase Friday.

Against an index of the currencies included in the European currency unit, the Ecu rose to 107.28 kroner from 105.95 on Friday. The krone has not been so weak since Norges Bank gave up defending its peg to the Ecu in 1992.

#### **EMI Weighs PolyGram** Film Unit Bid

LONDON - EMI Group PLC said Monday that it may return to the movie business by buying Poly-Gram's film division, but analysts warned that the music giant should avoid Hollywood.

EMI — which quit the movie industry 12 years ago - said it was considering a bid for PolyGram Filmed Entertainment, the lossmaking film arm that is being sold by Seagram Co.

The company's statement came after The Sunday Times reported that EMI was set to emerge as the front-runner for PolyGram Film Entertainment, which has produced global hits such as "Four Weddings and a Funeral" and "Bean."

"EMI regularly reviews acquisition opportunities and confirms that it is one of a number of parties considering the possible acquisition of PFE," the company said, adding that its plan was still in the early

stages. EMI's interest comes as struggles to bolster music sales in Asia and Latin America and revive earnings. The PolyGram film unit, whose film library is considered its most valuable asset, could sell for as

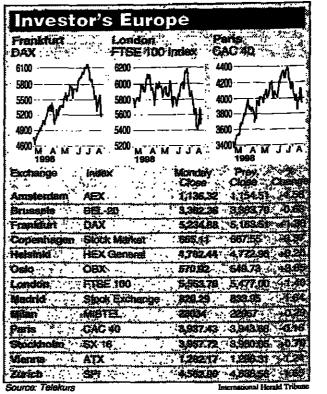
little as \$650 million, analysts said. But concern that the loss-making business could weigh on EMI earnings sent the company's shares tum-bling 7 percent Monday, to 480 pence (\$7.86).

Analysts said that the company should focus on improving its core music business rather than branch-

ing into movie-making.
"There is no operational synergy between the film and music businesses," an analyst said. "There's a slightly warm and fluffy managerial-talent-and-content type strategic angle, but they are very different businesses.

Widening losses at PolyGram's film unit were partly responsible for an 85 percent dive in the Dutch company's second-quarter profit. The division, like other studios, has been unable to recoup ever-swelling

Seagram agreed to pay \$10.4 billion for PolyGram in June and has said it wants to sell the film business to help cover the costs of acquiring (Reuters, Bloomberg)



#### Very briefly:

• Colt Telecom Group PLC, a British provider of corporate telecommunications services, plans to split its ordinary shares on a four-for-one basis on Sept. 2.

 German inflation showed signs of slowing as the states of North Rhine-Westphalia and Bavaria both reported that consumer prices fell 0.1 percent in August from July.

• Degussa AG dropped 1 percent, to 91.90 Deutsche marks (\$51.10), after Holocaust survivors filed a class-action suit in U.S. District Court in Newark, New Jersey, arguing the company melted down gold from the teeth of victims and produced

the gas used to kill prisoners in concentration camps. • Iridium LLC, the global satellite-phone service, said it signed a contract allowing Telia AB, the Swedish national

phone company, to market its service in Sweden and Finland. • Allied Domecq PLC, the world's second-largest spirits maker after Diageo PLC, plans to take an additional £115 million (\$187.6 million) in one-time charges in fiscal 1998

after it shed assets and revalued pubs. Mayflower Corp., a British maker of vehicle bodies, has agreed to buy about 40 percent of Metrotrans Corp. of the United States for about £15.3 million in cash.

 Royal Ahold NV, the Dutch supermarket company, plans to issue shares worth 4 billion guilders (\$1.97 billion) to finance the acquisition of the U.S. supermarket chain Giant Food Inc. Details of the offering will be given in the preliminary prospectus, which will be available Sept. 8.

• The National Bate of selgium's business confidence index, based on a survey of executives in manufacturing, trading and construction, fell to minus 2.5 in July from minus 1.3 in June, the central bank said.

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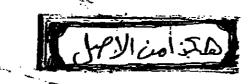
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# Asian Markets Slide As Gloom Deepens

By Sandra Sugawara
Washington Pon Service

TOKYO - Markets in Asia took hammering Monday as political appleaval in Russia, financial anxieses in Latin America and pessinism over Japan's handling of its financial crisis contributed to deepening gloom in the region.

the world on Friday, coupled with Lynch.
President Boris Yeltsin's decision "Inve

linger for a long time, analysts said.
"The thinking has always been idly shrinking.

2.03 percent lower, closing at In Singapore, stocks fell after 14,988.36. The sell-off not only re-Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong said the banking crisis, according to Tokyo analysts.

Late Friday evening, Long Term Late Friday evening, Long Term In Malaysia, the benchmark stock Credit Bank of Japan unveiled a index fell 2.12 percent. restructuring plan that included a restructuring plan that included a hefty government bailout, dashing most of us thought that our troubles hopes among investors that weak would go away, we are no longer as would go away, we are no longer as banks would be closed down. The optimistic about a rapid recovery,"

government has also insisted that Long Term Credit Bank is solvent, but has not released information to dispel substantial skepticism about the bank's health among market in-

the government is handling the banking problems," said Keiko The fall in other markets around Kondo, a strategist with Mertill

'Investors were disappointed Sunday to replace his entire government, increased the risk that
Asia's economic problems could

Long Tenn Credit Bank," said Masaaki Higashida of Nomma Securities.

Other markets in Asia were hit that the Asian recovery would be hard as well. Stock markets in export-led," said Robert Subbaraman, a regional analyst with Lehman Brothers in Tokyo. But "there has been no signs of export values picking up" and now it appears that "the number of regions that will be absorb Asian exportant and the said and the said as the said and the said and the said and the said as the said a able to absorb Asian exports is rap- of the Asian economic crisis, rose to 2.93 percent, with officials warning In Tokyo, the Nikkei index ended that the numbers could get worse.

flected concerns about a global the city-state's economy may be in slowdown, but also disappointment recession during the next two years, over the government's handling of Property stocks led a decline that pulled the benchmark Straits Times index down 1.7 percent.



BRAINSTORMING — Prime Minister Keizo Obuchi artiving Monday for the first meeting of a panel of 10 business leaders and academics seeking remedies for Japan's economic ills.

Deputy Prime Minister Anwar International Monetary Fund for as-Ibrahim said Monday in Kuala sistance. Lumpur, according to Reuters. Still, Malaysia's prime minister,

Mr. Mahathir has been a long-term critic of the IMF, saying its Mahathir bin Mohamad, reiterated high-interest-rate prescription has

## that the country would not go to the done more harm than good.

## Coca-Cola Maintains Its Fizz in Asian Markets

By Martha M. Hamilton Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - When the economic crisis began spreading across Asia in the summer of 1997, U.S. companies had to scramble to protect investments and market share that had been patiently built up

during Asia's boom years.
Some companies had a lot to lose. One of them was Coca-Cola Co., which earns almost 80 percent of its operating income outside the United States and sells a product utterly

But Coca-Cola managers in the months for the Coke region that ment for the future. region had a playbook in hand. Using lessons learned from the Latin American The name of the game in this was complicated by region had a playbook in hand. Using lessons learned from the Latin American economic crisis triggered by the collapse of the Mexican pese in 1994; business growing and make-sure widely different economies and Coke's top people in Asia moved to costs are under control so you can populations, each representing a dif-

shore up sales despite massive currency devaluation, hyperinflation, unemployment and impoverished consumers. They moved quickly, deploying lower-cost returnable packaging, launching smart promotions, giving attention to distribution and continuing investment.

This is the story of how one American company has persevered through the Asia crisis. While Coke expects to take an 8 percent to 9 percent hit this year against its earnings because of currency fluctu-

maintain a decent level of profit- ferent set of challenges. ability," said Emanuel Goldman, an industry analyst for PaineWebber Inc. "Coke had already practiced for the Asia crisis back in 1994."

As a result, at a time when other U.S. companies that do business in Asia are sustaining damage, Coca-Cola has kept moving forward. What Coke learned from the Mexican peso crisis boils down to a handful of basic lessons: Keep the product affordable, and promote it. Stay close to the consumer, and be ations, it has kept volume growing flexible enough to revise plans dependent on the whims of conin its largest Asian markets, with
sumer tastes.

In South Korea, where Coke had

'We don't have any magic formula, but there are some things that happened within our company in those two years that allowed us to weather the storm pretty well," said Jose Octavio Reyes, Coke's division president for Mexico, reflecting on the experiences of 1995-96 that he

has shared with colleagues in Asia. One of the main initiatives used in Mexico and repeated in Asia was the shift away from nonreturnable packaging to reusable cans and bottles to keep the price of Coke and other

planned to acquire the nation's bot-tling companies before the crisis began, that strategy paid off by allowing the company to make a faster switch to returnable packaging, effectively halving Coke's price, said Jim Harting, president of Coca-Cola Korea and a region manager.

Mr. Harting said unit sales in Korea would probably be about the same this year as last. But that's not

The company also has reaped benefits from continuing to invest in about the company's products, Korea, he said. For instance, by Chernomyrdin's five and a half Korea, he said. For instance, by years as Mr. Yeltsin's prime min- agreeing at the beginning of the year As of Friday, the pool appeared to ister that the oligarchy came into its to a full year of media buys on have collapsed, according to a lead-own, grabbing factories, mines, air-television stations when other adister that the oligarchy came into its to a full year of media buys on software, which allows users to lines and oil refineries of the former vertisers were holding back, Coke

> the past nine months has been about 55 percent to 60 percent, Coke has at Sproul Plaza at the University been able to avoid raising prices by shifting more production to returnable cans and bottles. Nine months ago these containers represented about 65 percent of the business. ing Mr. Berezovsky and Rem Today they are about 85 percent, Vyakhirev, head of the natural gas said John Murphy, vice president of the South Pacific division and managing director of Coca-Cola Indone-Mr. Kiriyenko collided with sia. Even so, sales are likely to be off Gazprom over its unsettled taxes. 17 percent to 18 percent, he said.

mestic economic data expected this The blue-chip Hang Seng Index gained 317.87 points, or 4.2 percent, to finish the volatile day at

Although some support the intervention, it has met with widespread criticism from bankers, economists and politicians, who say the move contradicts the government's longstanding nonintervention policy and damages both the market's credibility and public confidence.

Hong Kong

Gives Lift to

**Hang Seng** 

HONG KONG - Hong Kong

stocks shrugged off weak overseas markets on Monday, closing sharply

higher on government buying despite new economic data that cast further

Traders said aggressive government buying of Hong Kong bluechips stocks and futures contracts sent the market soaring, offsetting

bearish factors ranging from the weak yen and Russian economic

and political turmoil to grim do-

gloom over the local economy.

Government officials say it is necessary to drive up the market -which plummeted to a five-year low this month - to ward off speculators who have been betting that the market would continue to fall

and driving up interest rates.

Mark Simpson, head of Hong
Kong and China Research for Nomura International (HK) Ltd. said the intervention had created a false market and that long-term institutional investors were not sure of the real value of the market since the government has started buying

Analysts also warned that as soon as the government stepped back from the market, the index would fall sharply, further damaging investor's confidence.

Meanwhile, data showed that retail sales plummeted 16 percent in June from a year ago to 15.9 billion Hong Kong dollars (\$2.05 billion) as a looming recession has dampened consumer spending. Other data released Monday showed a (AP, AFP, Reuters) I.M. Pei.

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#### **Very briefly:**

 John Fairfax Holdings Ltd.'s chief executive, Bob Muscat, who was recruited from rival publisher News Ltd. only two years ago, has resigned. He is the third chief executive to quit the Australian newspaper group in three years.

• Parco Co., the Japanese shopping center operator, will post an extraordinary loss of 3.96 billion yen (\$27.4 million) in the year ending in February 1999 as the result of dissolving a golfcourse development unit.

• Japan's supermarket chain store sales fell 1.4 percent in July from the same period a year earlier.

• Foster's Brewing Group Ltd. of Australia posted a profit of 466.6 million dollars (\$271.8 million) in the year to June, a 78 percent rise from the year before, but will offload two of its China breweries in a bid to halve losses from Asia.

• Rural Press Ltd., an Australian regional and specialist newspaper publisher, bought the Canberra Times from a company associated with the businessman Kerry Stokes for

• Standard & Poor's Corp. downgraded the Hong Kong conglomerate Hutchison Whampoa Ltd.'s currency rating due to the economic slump. Both foreign and local currency ratings were downgraded to single-A from single-A plus. The State Bank of India. the country's biggest commercial

bank, has gathered more than \$3 billion from the sale of its foreign currency bonds to expatriate Indians. • Mitsubishi Electric Corp. has developed a new 256megabit flash memory chip jointly with Hitachi Ltd.

drop in Hong Kong's external trade by land, sea and air in the first half of Bank of China building, which was designed by the architect

## RUBLE: Russia's Top Bankers and Tycoons Fight Back

Continued from Page 9

pecuniary interests." warned that several banks are on the bank. verge of failing, perhaps as soon as this week. The Russian banks owe Western lenders several billion dollars that must be repaid in dollars in coming months, but the banks' ruble assets are devalued and they cannot

atorium on paying back the loans. A few banks are in even more serious trouble. Sergei Dubinin, the central bank chief, acknowledged in an interview broadcast on Russian television Sunday night that they need "extraordinary help." In return, he said, the government would take ownership of the banks.

nationalization of part of the bank- control over the situation."

would support an effort by 12 of the posits." In fact, their interests are not largest banks to create a special pool small. Central bank officials have to receive credits from the central

> ing banker, but the financial tycoons still need money.

> Mr. Chernomyrdin could help the troubled banks survive by pumping government credits into them.

make the payments. The govern-ment has imposed a 90-day mor-One reason for the abruptness of Mr. Yeltsin's decision — and the luctant to bail out the banks and was prepared to let some fail.

"Everything that Kiriyenko has been doing lately disagreed with the oligarchs," said Olga Kryshtanike ownership of the banks.

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But a second camp has championed Mr. Chemomyrdin, includmonopoly Gazprom, which Mr. Chernomyrdin once headed.

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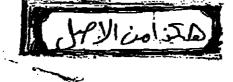
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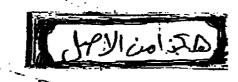
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# WORLD ROUNDUP Australian Olympic Chief Urges Harsher Drug Sanctions

Vijay Singh celebrating after his decisive eagle putt landed.

#### Singh Wins Again

GOLF Vijay Singh made an eagle 3 on the 17th hole to ensure that he won the Sprint International in Castle Rock, Colorado. It was his second title in as many weeks.

Singh, 35, shared the first-round lead with Jim Carter and was the outright leader after the second and third rounds. Singh, who won the PGA championship the previous Sunday, began the final day with 33 points and a narrow 1-point lead under the modified Stableford scoring system used in this event. He

never relinquished that advantage. The native of Fiji birdied five holes on his front nine, increasing his point total to 43 for a 7-point lead over Willie Wood at the turn. By the 17th, his lead had shrunk to one-point over both Wood and defending champion Phil Mickelson, but Singh eagled the 492-yard, par-5 hole to score five points. (AP)

#### Corretja Stops Agassi

TENNIS Alex Corretja survived a second-set knockdown and fought back to knock out Andre Agassi, 2-6, 6-2, 6-3, in the final of the RCA Championships tournament.

The victory Sunday lifted Corretja four places to seventh when the latest world rankings were made public Monday.

After facing a near-perfect pertormance from set, Corretja hit the deck in the sixth game of the second set when a return struck the Spaniard hard on the right shoulder.

Agassi vaulted the net and helped his opponent to his feet. But after Corretja dusted himself off, the momentum seemed to turn in his favor.

"It's not a good situation for either player," said Agassi. "But I'd rather be on my end than his.

"I just let him get into the match in the second set. I stopped being as aggressive as I should have been,' Agassi continued.

He still had a chance to regain the upper hand in the third set, but he failed to convert four break points in the third game. The Spaniard then scored the crucial service break in the eighth game. (Reuters)

#### Poland Backs Winter Bid

olympics Poland's government is prepared to give financial support to a bid from Zakopane, a Polish mountain resort, to host the 2006 Winter Olympics.

Deputy Finance Minister Jerzy Miller said Monday that the government was prepared to spend millions of dollars for the bid. Miller said holding the Olympics in Zakopane would cost \$850 million, and the International Olympic Committee would put up \$415 mil-

The International Olympic Committe will choose the host of the 2006 Winter Games in June 1999. Sion, Switzerland, is considered an early front-runner.

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SYDNEY — The Australian Olympic Committee urged the Australian government Monday to imprison athletes caught using anabolic steroids.

John Coates, the AOC president, said 'hard' drugs in sports should be treated as narcotics.

The AOC has also asked for potential Olympians to sign a letter promising to repay all financial grants from the AOC if they test positive for use of banned drugs.
"If we are to ensure that the 2000 Olympic Games are not to be re-membered as the 'Drug Games,' im-mediate action is required," Coates

said, referring to the Summer Games that are to be held in Sydney.

Coates said the penalties for possession, manufacture and trafficking of the three hard-drug classes - anabolic androgenic steroids, Beta 2 agonists (other than asthma medications) and peptide and glycoprotein hormones and analogues — should be the same as for

heroin and cocaine. Coates said the nonmedicinal use of anabolic steroids in Australia was greater than that of heroin and cocaine. He said that in a survey of children ages 11 ported from Rome.

to 17 in the most populous state, New South Wales, about 4 percent said they were using anabolic steroids.

'Criminal laws must be more stringent to deter those who would otherwise engage in illegal dealing in drugs and to appropriately punish those who are so ngaged," he said.

The current ceiling for fines for importation of sports drugs in Australia is about \$30,000, while the maximum term for narcotics is life. A Chinese swimmer, Yuan Yuan, attempted to illegally import enough growth hormones to supply 20 athletes before the world championships this year, but she was not fined and was allowed into the country. Under the AOC plan. Yuan would have faced a maximum penalty of 25 years in prison. (AFP, AP)

#### **Italian Olympic Chief Doubts Use in Soccer**

The president of the Italian Olympic committee said Monday that he believes there is no use of performance-enhancing substances among Italy's top soc-cer players, The Associated Press re-

exist in soccer," Mario Pescante said after two-hour meeting with the prosecutor for the city of Turin, Raffaele Guariniello.

Guariniello is looking into allegations that top players in Italy's first-division soccer league took illegal substances. Pescante also dismissed allegations that Italian Olympic committee officials

hid evidence that would prove the use of banned substances by players.

In an interview with the Corriere della

Sera newspaper on Saturday, a committee official, Sandro Donati, said that the banned drug EPO, or erythropoietin, was widely used in soccer. EPO, which increases oxygen absorption in the bloodstream, is the substance that several cyclists in the Tour de France last month are alleged to have taken.

Donati also complained that a single group, the federation of sports doctors, oversees all aspects of Italian soccer's doping controls, a system that "seems to have been set up with the intent of hindering transparency."
"This is fantasy." Pescante said

Monday. "The transparency of tests has never been questioned before."

In an interview with the Journal du

"I'm sure the word 'doping' doesn't Dimanche in France, Donati insisted that the Bologna prosecutor Giovanni Spinosa, who also is looking into the allegations, has a "very important dossier with convincing elements" to prove the use of EPO and even stronger substances.

The Italian Olympic committee's anti-doping commission also is conducting an inquiry.

All the investigations stem from comments by the AS Roma soccer coach, Zdenek Zeman, who said he was amazed by the quick muscular development of some players, including Gianluca Vialli and Alessandro Del Piero.

Vialli and Del Piero both have denied wrongdoing and are suing Zeman.

#### East German Coach Admits Giving Drugs

A former coach of the East German women's swimming team admitted in court Monday that he had secretly given his athletes banned performance-enhancing drugs. The Associated Press reported from Berlin.

Rolf Glaeser, 58, who has worked as coach in Austria since 1990, apol-

ogized to his former swimmers, including the 1980 Olympic medalist Chris tiane Sommer, who won the medal under her maiden name, Knacke. Sommer testified against Glaeser

during the trial. She said after his con-, fession that she suspected he sought so, reduce his sentence. Following the confession, Glaeser's

case was separated from that of his co. defendants, who are charged with caus ing bodily harm by administering steroids to minors.

The charge carries a maximum of three years in prison, but other coaches and sports doctors similarly charged received only fines last week after con-

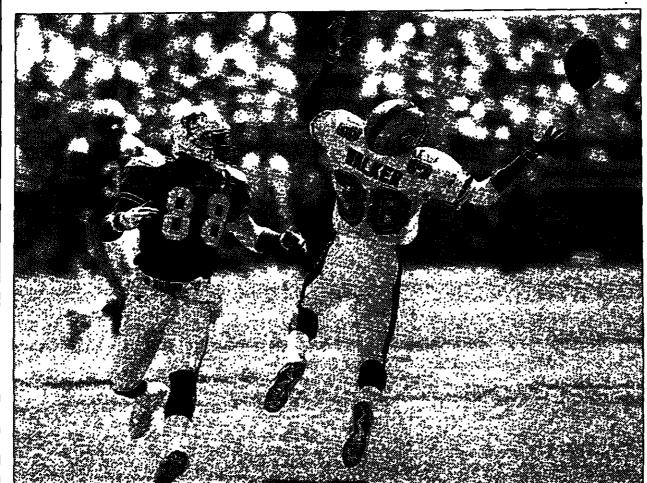
fessing in a separate trial.

Glaeser coached the Dynamo Berlin team from 1971 to 1984. He told the court he first got the pills in 1976 from a co-defendant, Dr. Dieter Binus, who told him they helped muscle regence-

He insisted that he did not know, about possible dangers and said he ney. er linked the side-effects he saw, such as acne or weight gain, to the drugs.

Last month, Binus admitted helping:

East Germany's systematic doping.



The 49ers' Darnell Walker (38) trying and failing to intercept a pass intended for Miami's Charles Jordan.

## Rookie Back Leads Miami to Victory

SAN FRANCISCO — Rookie John Avery ran for two touchdowns in his Miami Dolphins debut, a 21-20 victory in San Francisco.

Avery, the Dolphins' first-round pick out of Mississippi, missed the first two exhibitions with a hamstring strain, but showed no ill effects from the injury in an impressive debut. He rushed for 99 yards on 13 carries, including touchdown runs of 2 and 71 yards in the second half.

Miami remained unbeaten in three preseason games. A botched extra-point by San Francisco (2-2) was the difference. Dan Marino, the Miami quarterback, was 12-of-23 for 158 yards and a touchdown in a little over a half of play.

Miami's backup quarterbacks Craig Erickson and Damon Huard combined to complete just one pass in four throws. 'I'm still a little troubled with our backup quarterback situation,"

Jimmy Johnson, the Miami coach. "I wasn't too happy with what I saw out

Meanwhile, 49ers coach Steve Mariucci was pretty happy with what he

saw from Steve Young and Terrell Owens. They teamed for three touchdowns.

"It was a good test for us and I was pleased to get out front 20-7," Mariucci said. "I thought Steve Young was sharp and Terrell Owens certainly had a good

His backup quarterbacks struggled. Jim Druckenmiller threw an intercep-

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tion preceding Avery's first touchdown run and Ty Detmer also had trouble moving the team.

No decision has been made on which one will be the top backup to Young, who completed 13 of 21 for 232 yards, including scoring passes of 72, 1 and 26 vards to Owens.

• Neil O'Donnell was named the No. quarterback for the Cincinnati Bengals by coach Bruce Coslet on Sun-

O'Donnell completed 15 of 18 passes for 147 yards Saturday, including a 40yard touchdown pass to Darnay Scott, as last two games. O'Donnell is 20-of-23 without an interception.

"That's a tremendous percentage of completions," Coslet said. O'Donnell, a former quarterback

with Pittsburgh and the New York Jets, signed as a free agent with the Bengals

Coslet used Saturday night's game as an audition for the backup role. Once O'Donnell left the game, Paul Justin and Jeff Blake alternated series. Justin was 2-of-5 for 31 yards with one interception, while Blake was 2-of-3 for 51 yards. Both were working with backup

Blake lost the starting job after the I ith game last season.

Boomer Esiason took over and led the Bengals to four victories in the last five games, then headed for the broadcast "I'll take what I can get," Blake said.

'When I have an opportunity, that's when I go out and do the best I can. It's Bruce's team and Bruce is going to

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MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

# Top European Clubs Meet Again on League

LONDON - Media Partners, a Milan-based company promoting a breakaway European soccer league, discussed the proposals Monday with

leading European clubs in London. Media Partners released a brief statement confirming it had held "a pro-

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ductive meeting with a number of Europe's leading football clubs." The well-attended meeting dis-

cussed further the proposals to develop the European Football League," the statement said. No other details were provided.

The Sun, a British tabloid newspaper, reported Monday that the president of Media Partners, Rodolfo Hecht, was neeting with officials from Manchester

United and Arsenal. The Sun said Hecht would outline his overall vision for the league for the first time and give a five-point pledge, including guarantees that qualification would be based on performance.

Hecht, a 43-year-old Italian businessman, said the "project was progressing

"We are having intensive talks with the leaders of European football, all the top clubs and especially the national he was quoted as saying. Media Partners met with the gov erning body of European soccer, UEFA,

Hecht said his company did not want to erode UEFA's role as governing body of European soccer, saying he wanted to

work with UEFA to develop the But UEFA could seek to head off the threat of a breakaway league at a meeting in Monaco on Saturday, where

changes to the format of the three major

European club championships will be discussed. A spokesman for UEFA said Sunday that it did not plan to work with Media

Partners on the league. GERMANY Berti Vogts, the German national coach, included eight new

players in his squad for friendlies next veek against Malta and Romania. The newcomers are the defenders

Mustafa Dogan and Marko Rehmer, the midfielders Michael Ballack, Stefan Beinlich, Christian Nerlinger and Marco Reich and the strikers Oliver Neuville and Paulo Rink.

Vogts also recalled the Bayern Munich midfielder Stefan Effenberg, who has not represented his country since he made an obscene gesture to fans during the 1994 World Cup in the United States.

Only 10 members of the 24-strong squad were members of the German, team in the World Cup in France.

The striker Juergen Klinsmann and the defenders Thomas Helmer, Juergen. Kohler and Olaf Thon have all retired from international soccer.

The goalkeeper Andreas Kopke, the defenders Lothar Matthaus and Stefan; Reuter and the midfielders Steffen Fre und, Thomas Hassler, Andreas Molleyand Christian Ziege were all dropped.

ENGLAND Ole Gunnar Solskjaer, 3-Norwegian striker, is staying al. Manchester United, the manager Alex Ferguson said Monday. Tottenham Hotspur, another English

Premier League club, had said that, Manchester United had accepted a £5.5. million \$9 million) offer for Solskjaci after United acquired the striker Dwight. Yorke from Aston Villa for £12.6 mil.

SPAIN Celta Vigo completed the sign ing of the Bulgarian international Lubon Penev from Compostela for 350 million pesetas (\$2.3 million), chib officials, said Monday.

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The striker scored 16 goals last seasie son as Compostela were relegated from the first division

Celta will be Penev's fourth Spanish. club. The Bulgarian has also played for a Atletico Madrid and Valencia since and riving in Spain in 1989.

BRAZH. Romano, making his comeback after a 10-day absence caused by yet another pulled muscle, scored for Flamengo but then missed a penalty as Brazil's most popular club, suffered a humiliating 3-1 defeat at home to Juventude in the Brazilian, championship.

nampionship.

Romario opened the scoring in them 11th minute but, after Juventude had equalized, he missed from the penalty

Juventude then scored two moregoals.

Romario has been nagged by injuries since June, when he was dropped from Brazil's World Cup squad 10 days before the start of the compention and has? played only a handful of games since.

Carlos Gamarra, a Paraguayan defender, scored his first goal for Corinthians to give the team a 1-1 draw against Internacional and keep it in first place, ahead of Santos on goal differ-Corinthians, trained by Vanderley

Luxemburgo, the new Brazilian national team coach, kept its unbeaten record in the competition in which the 24 teams play each other once and the top eight qualify for the quarterfinals. (Reuters, AR)

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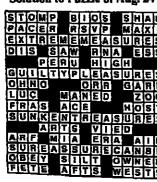
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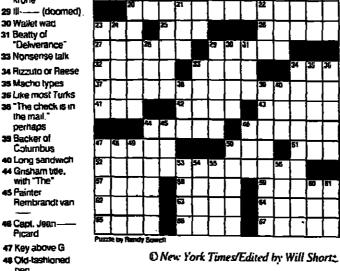
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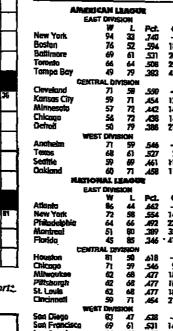
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## **Griffey Hits** 43d Homer **As Mariners Beat Chicago**

Ken Griffey hit his 43d home run of the season, but only his second in August, as the Seattle Mariners won, 3-2, in

Griffey began August with 41, behind Mark McGwire at 45 and Saumy Sosa at 42. Now, McGwire and Sosa are

Griffey's two-run shot at the King-dome was only his second homer in 89

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at-bats. Nevertheless, he has hit five more home runs than Albert Belle and Rafael Palmeiro, who are tied for second in the American League.

Griffey's first homer since Aug. 15 tied the game at 2-2 in the fourth inning, and Shane Monahan put the Mariners ahead of the White Sox with a solo shot in the fifth. Rangers 12, Yan kees 10 Rusty Greer

homered and knocked in four runs as Texas outslugged visiting New York and slowed the Yankees' chase of history. \_The Yankees (94-33) are trying to become the first team to win 100 games before September. With 35 games left, they are also on track to break the major league record of 116 victories in a season set by the 1906 Chicago Cubs.

Hed Sex 5, Twins 1 Pedro Martinez pitched shutout ball for six innings and Boston backed him with 15 hits in Min-

Martinez (17-4) twisted his knee in the sixth mning. He stayed in the game, and later hit Matt Lawton in the knee with a pitch right after Lawton stepped away from the plate during a windup.

The benches and bullpens emptied without any fighting. The next batter, Todd Walker, hit into a force play and Lawton was called for interference when he slid wide into the shortstop, Nomar Garciaparra.

Martinez, who gave up four hits, was pulled by Jimy Williams after the sixth. Darren Bragg tied a career high with four hits as the Red Sox increased their wild-card lead to eight games over Bal-

Paul Molitor singled twice for the Twins and reached 3,283 career hits, tying Willie Mays for ninth place on the career list

indians 4, Orioles 1 Dwight Gooden earned his third straight victory as Cleveland won in Baltimore.

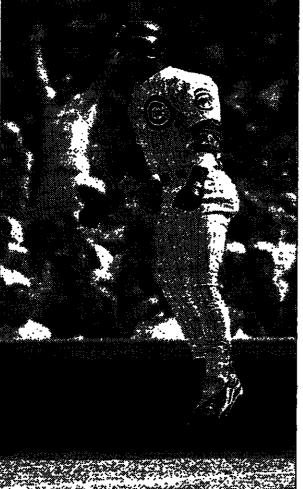
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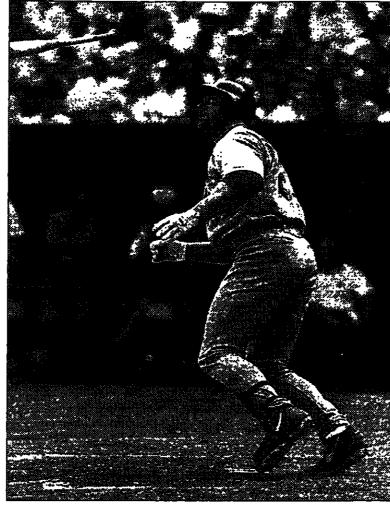
hit a two-run triple in the seventh inning, and Anaheim finished a 5-2 home

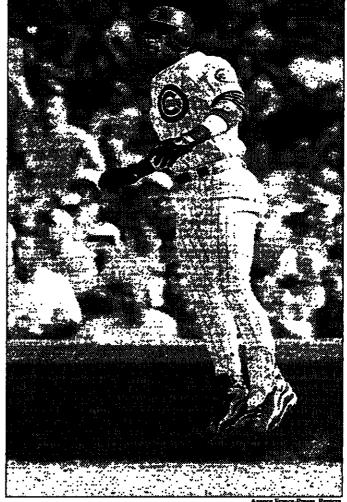
Toronto led, 2-1, when reliever Carlos Almanzar was summoned in the seventh inning. The bullpen gate would climbed over the fence onto the field.

A throwing error by first baseman Carios Delgado set up Velarde's triple. Tigers 5, Athletics 4 Seth Greisinger vercame a pair of home runs by Jason Giambi as Detroit avoided a four-game

sweep at Oakland. Royals 11, Devil Rays 5 Sal Fasano went 4-for-4 with a home run in St. Petersburg, Florida, as Kansas City matched a season high with its fourth straight victory.







GONE, GONE - The Cubs' Sammy Sosa, left, watching his 50th home run of the season sail out of Wrigley Field in the fifth inning of a 13-3 loss to the Astros. Mark McGwire, center, hit his 53d of the season in the eighth inning as his Cardinals lost to the Pirates. Sosa jumped again after getting his 51st home run in the eighth inning.

# McGwire Hits 53d Homer, and Sosa Cracks 2 to Reach 51

a right-handed hitter in consecutive sea-

sons. The previous mark? That was 110

home runs in 1996 and '97 -- by one

Mark McGwire. Said McGwire with a

smile, "Records are made to be broken."

By John Mehno ington Post Service

PTTTSBURGH --- Mark McGwire's pursuit of the single-season home run record remained in high gear, but so did Sammy Sosa's.

Minutes after Sosa launched his 50th homer of the season in the fifth inning of his Cubs' 13-3 loss to the Houston Astros at Wrigley Field in Chicago on Sunday, McGwire blasted his 53d of the season here at Three Rivers Stadium. But Sosa wasn't done; in the eighth inning back in Chicago, he made it two for the day and 51 for the year with another homer off Jose Lima.

"Congratulations to him," McGwire said when told of Sosa's exploits after the Cardinals had lost to the Pirates, 4-3. "That's awesome. That is really cool."

Sosa's homer made this just the second season in which two National League players have hit at least 50 home runs. In 1947, Ralph Kiner of Pittsburgh and Johnny Mize of the New York Giants each hit 51.

Since Wednesday, McGwire and Sosa have combined for 10 homers six by McGwire — and changed the complexion of the chase for one of the sporting world's most revered records. McGwire must hit nine homers in his

final 32 games to break Roger Maris's mark; Sosa needs 11 in 32 games. On Monday, however, McGwire was not included in the starting lineup for an afternoon game against the Pirates — a decision Tony La Russa, the St Louis manager, and McGwire said was

reached weeks ago.
"We're in a stretch of a lot of
"You undergames," La Russa said. "You undergames, La Russa sant. To the hard-stand that somebody coming to the park is going to be disappointed, but it's never difficult to do what you think is right."

The Cardinals' loss Sunday meant the 42,134 fans got exactly what they wanted: a Pirates victory and a McGwire home run. They booed when the Pittsburgh starter, Jason Schmidt, walked him twice and demanded a curtain call after McGwire connected on a 2-2 fastball in the eighth inning. Prod-ded by teammates, McGwire took one step out of the ground-level dugout and

"I didn't want to go out," McGwire said. "It didn't feel right, but a couple of my teammates said to go for it. I hope the Pirates didn't mind. That's why I didn't feel comfortable doing it. I really wish every baliplayer could feel the way I feel now. It's unbelievable, the reception by everybody across America."

[In Chicago, where the wind was blowing toward Wrigley Field's fences, Sosa also was called out of the dugout as the fans chanted his name following his first homer of the day, which sailed completely out of the ballpark.

["I enjoyed the first homer myself," Lima said, according to The Associated Press. "I'm not the only one to give up a homer to Sammy Sosa. The second one I said 'up, up' in the air and then I forgot it's Wrigley Field."

But a victory is what Sosa and the Cubs really wanted, as the loss kept them one game behind the New York Mets for the NL wild-card spot. "We are trying to make the playoffs, and Mark's trying to break the record,"
Sosa said. "I got my money on

Mark."] McGwire is just the third NL player to reach 53 home runs and the first since Kiner hit 54 for Pittsburgh in 1949. Also on Sunday, McGwire's 136th walk set a Cardinals record, surpassing Jack Clark's total in 1987.

With 111 home runs in the past two

years, McGwire also has set a record for Cards Don't Object to Drug

The Cardinals released a statement Sunday saying that the team has no objection to McGwire's use of androstenedione, a testosterone-producing pill banned by the National Football League

and NCAA, The Associated Press reported from Pittsburgh. "Due to current research that lacks documentary evidence of any adverse side effects, the Cardinals' medical staff cannot object to Mark's choice to use this legal and overthe-counter supplement," the team said.

## Bonds Savors Record and Eyes Playoffs

The Associated Press

MIAMI - Barry Bonds became the first player to have 400 home runs and 400 stolen bases when he hit his 26th homer of the season as the San Francisco Giants beat the Florida Marlins,

The milestone was nice, he said, and so was the victory that left San Francisco just three games behind the New York Mets and two behind the Chicago Cubs

in the National League wild-card race. Making the playoffs means everything to Bonds, who has yet to play in a

World Series.

"That's probably the only thing that's really left for me," said Bonds, 34. "Everything else is an added notch to an outstanding career for an individual person, but I'd like to win something as a team. I've done enough individual things."

Bonds' latest achievement earned him a bucket of champagne, a bottle of Crown Royal, two cigars, a standing ovation by Marlins fans and a congratulatory note

from his former manager, Jim Leyland.
But as Bonds checked out the gifts at his locker, he laughed when asked to compare his accomplishment with the assault on Roger Maris's home-run re-cord by Mark McGwire and Sammy

got nine writers standing here. McGwire had 200 writers when he had 30

home runs. 'What they're going through is huge. You have two players who might break the record in the same year. That's

Bonds reached his milestone in the second inning by pulling a knuckleball

NL ROUNDUP

from Kirt Ojala over the right-field wall. The homer gave Bonds 400 in a 13-year career to go with 438 stolen bases. The crowd roared as Bonds circled the bases, and when he crossed home plate, he tipped his cap toward Leyland

in the Marlins' dugout.

for all you've done in my career, and I'm glad you got to see it,' 'Bonds said. Only three other players hit 300 homers and stole 300 bases - Willie Mays (660 homers, 338 stolen bases), Andre Dawson (436 and 314) and

Bonds' father, Bobby (332 and 461). Padres 13, Brewers 11 Jim Leyritz's two-run double in the 10th helped San Diego win a wild one at Milwaukee.
The teams combined for 33 hits

"This is nothing," Bonds said. "I've against 12 pitchers and took 2 hours and three minutes to complete the first four

> In the 10th, Steve Finley walked, took third on a single by Vaughn and scored when Leyritz doubled.

Braves 12, Dodgers 7 In Atlanta, Greg Maddux became the National League's first 17-game winner despite one of the worst starts of his career.

Andres Galarraga hit his 40th homer as the Braves came up with enough runs to give Maddux (17-6) the shakiest of victories. The four-time Cy Young Award winner was pounded for 10 hits and seven earned runs.

Diamondbacks 4, Mots 3 New York had the bases loaded with no outs in the bottom of the ninth inning against Arizona but could only score one run.

in the Marlins' dugout.

"You really want to reach out and give each other a hug and say, "Thanks the bases against Gregg Olson on three singles. But Olson struck out Matt Franco, got Carlos Baerga on a runscoring grounder and retired Tony Phillips on a groundout for his 22d save.

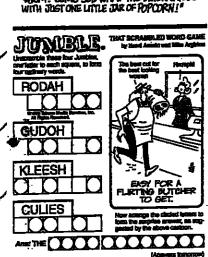
Reds 10, Expos 0 Sean Casey hit a three-run homer and drove in five runs as Cincinnati won in Montreal.

Rockies 5, Phillies 2 Mike Lansing hit a three-run homer and John Thomson won his third consecutive decision as Colorado won at Philadelphia.

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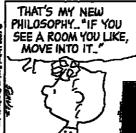


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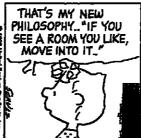


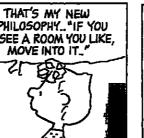
















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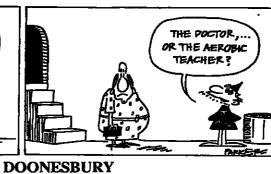
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#### ART BUCHWALD

#### . And Whitewater?

was disappointed by President Bill Clinton's explanation about Whitewater, an investment he made in Arkansas

that went down the river. We expected him to get on the air and come clean with what has turned into a sordid real estate deal.

For months the president has assured the American

people that he had nothing to do with Whitewater. Everyone wanted to believe him because there is something sleazy about a president who

Buchwald is caught up in a real estate development project that was so badly handled that his partners went to jail. For a while Clinton be-

lieved he could brazen it out. His lawyers maintained that constitutionally, a president apology about real estate, not did not have to answer to a one word about savings and defunct savings and loan while in office.

But the evidence kept pil-

MARTHA'S VINE- sign on the Whitewater yellyard, Massachusetts low brick dirt road and de-VINE- sign on the Whitewater yel-- Like most Americans, I cided to have it examined for

DNA evidence. The press started screaming for the president to come clean on Whitewater. They wanted to know if he had invested money in the project or not.

The White House defended Clinton. They said that the special prosecutor was on a fishing expedition and he was destroying the fabric of the nation. The special prosecutor then called the Secret Service to the grand jury room. Several restified they had seen the president surveying the Whitewater land with Susan McDougal.

There was nothing left for the president to do. He decided to go on television and admit he had put his savings into Whitewater and lost a bundle. At least that is what we

expected him to do. Instead, he ignored Whitewater and talked about making a sexual mistake and how he legally told the truth about it. Not one loans. He ignored what we wanted to hear — truth about prime land in Arkansas. And ing in. The special prosecutor he still wants us to accept his found a navy blue "For Sale" story and get on with it.

#### A Little Pie in the Face for Fun

The Associated Press

B URBANK, California — Marking the 75th anniversary of the Three Stooges, fans gathered over the weekend to celebrate the art form of tweaked noses, pie-throwing and

"We're trying to keep the Stooges alive," Jean DeRita, the widow of one of the later Stooges, Curly Joe DeRita, said at the convention. "They've made a lot of generations happy, and

we are trying to keep them alive for future generations."

The Stooges made about 200 film cornedy shorts and appeared in a dozen feature films between 1930 and 1965. Leo Wolene, a Stooge-o-phile from Northridge, took part in a replay of a famous Stooges scene: Madame Pompadour's birthday party, which degenerated into pie-throwing. "I don't mind looking silly," Wolene said, wiping foam from his face.

# Zeffirelli Pays Homage to His 'Scorpioni'

By Alessandra Stanley New York Times Service

ROME - "Why shouldn't Mussolini have an empire?" asks Lady Hester Random, an imperious British expatriate played by Maggie Smith in a new Franco Zeffirelli film. "All the best people

in Europe have empires." The British upper class's passion for Italy has been invincible, even at the time of World War II. There were 18,000 Britons living in Florence when the war broke out, and hundreds of them, convinced that their Englishness - and their admiration for Il Duce and Fascism - would shield them forever, stubbornly stayed put as the Tuscan landscape darkened.

'Tea With Mussolini,' which is being directed by Zeffirelli this summer in Rome and Florence for release next year, is based on his memories of wartime and the years iust before, when he was an illegitimate, motherless young Flo-

It's a homage to a group of ec-centric English ladies who essentially adopted him, and who tried to preserve their own civility and Florence's treasures as war closed in around them. Art-mad, dotty, deluded, these genteel Englishwomen, whom he called the scorpioni for their stinging wit, were as much a part of his childhood in the city as Dante, Botticelli and the Duomo.

The story of these old ladies is he bustled around a basement warehouse that had been made up to look like an internment camp in which the women ended up being confined after Italy entered the war.

He first began thinking of building a movie around them in the 1950s, but he didn't really get back to the idea until he wrote about them in his 1986 autobiography. "Even those who lived in Florence forever never learned Italian; they lived in their own world. We would shout 'Guarda gli Inglesi!' as they strolled in town under their parasols.



something I've been wanting to do all my life," Zeffirelli, 75, said as Maggie Smith, left, and Judi Dench in "Tea With Mussolini."

The film, which has five strong parts for older actresses, is also Zefdivas he has directed. He is perhaps of Beatrice in his stage production best known for his 1960s film adaptations of Shakespeare's "The It was while visiting Zeffirelli at aptations of Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew" and "Romeo and Juliet" and, more recently, his lavish opera productions and opera movies, but he began his interna-

firelli's debut at the Old Vic. And parts for older actresses, is also Zef- 30 years ago, Smith, 63, and Joan firelli's homage to some of the great Plowright, 68, alternated in the part

> his villa in Positano with her husband, Laurence Olivier, in the late 1980s that Plowright first became involved in the movie.

Plowright conceded that she and her co-stars had played upper-class English eccentrics before. "I've

but one hopes to explore all the fyingly wrong. possibilities of her.

To spice up the mix in "Tea With Mussolini," Zeffirelli and his fellow screenwriter, the British novelist John Mortimer, invented two American characters: Georgie, a sardonic lesbian archaeologist, played by Lily Tomlin, 58, and Elsa, a rich Jewish art collector and former

Ziegfeld girl with a passion for younger men, played by Cher, 52.

Not surprisingly, the American women and the British war. pise each other, but the war - and their struggle to survive it -- force

"When I read the script, I loved it. I have never played a character who was spoiled rotten before,' said Cher during a break from filming. "Most of my characters have

been nice, generous or heroic."

Plowright, who received an Academy Award nomination for her performance in "Enchanted April," a 1991 film set in Italy, said she hoped she could prevent audiences from liking her too much. She plays Mary Wallace, a char-acter based on Mary O'Neill, the British woman who was hired by Zeffirelli's father to teach him English and who instilled in him a love

of Shakespeare and the theater.
"I shall come off as a nice, good lady, if I'm not careful," she said. 'You need a bit of the Devil to be

interesting, don't you?"

While the plot centers on the relationship between the women and their young protégé, the film also examines the cultural clashes between the upper-class Englishwomen and the less classy Americans.

The film's title derives from a tional career in the English theater.

Judi Dench, now 63, played Juliet in a 1961 production of "Romeo and Juliet" that was Zef
"Maggie and Judy and I kept scene Zeffirelli borrowed from Vilout Scene Zeffirelli borrowed

said I have a movie and all of you Duce. In the movie, Lady Hester travels to Rome to take tea with Mussolini, and is reassured by his promises of safety - and Earl Grey. "She is someone who is abplayed a few," she said with a sly solutely convinced she is right," smile. "One isn't frightened of it, Smith explained. "And is horrismile." Smith explained. "And is horri-

Smith, who won an Oscar for her performance in 'The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie' (1969), has played passionate wrongheaded-ness before. This time, she mixes it. with some of the mad hautear of... Oscar Wilde's Lady Bracknell.

British understatement, meanwhile, was on vivid display on a searingly hot day in the basement set in suburban Rome. Temperatures were over 110 degrees Fahrenheit (43 degrees centigrade) outside, and the set, despite industrial-sized fans, was about as cool as an incubator.

The surrounding streets were too narrow to allow the stars' trailers to park nearby, so Smith, Dench and Plowright sat on folding chairs in wigs, wool smits, period garters and stockings and fur wraps waiting for

their scenes.
"The ladies are mad as hornets," one production employee confided in a whisper. But if the actresses were opset, they never betrayed it. Alongside a small army of elderly extras, mostly British retirees in Rome who were recruited to play inmates in the internment camp, they waited, fanning themselves with paper plates and doing crossword puzzles.

One scene, in which the ladies hear over the radio that the Americans have declared war on the Axis powers after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, required the actresses to convey shock, exhilaration and severe cold. The three British stars put down their crossword puzzies, delivered their lines flawlessly, then quietly resumed their

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"We are three eccentrics," Dench explained. "We laugh a lot,



Douglas Kennedy embracing his bride, Molly Stark, after the ceremony. anything. If somebody would just send

THE Kennedy clan was out in force for the happy occasion — the wedding of Douglas Kennedy, the youngest son of Ethel and Robert F. Kennedy, and Molly Stark. Some of the 300 notables in attendance included Senator Edward Kennedy, Representative Joseph Kennedy, Caroline Kennedy, Robert Kennedy Jr. and William Kennedy Smith. The bridegroom is a reporter for Fox News in New York, and the bride is a Vermont native who teaches autistic children in Brooklyn.

The actress Bo Derek says that if it had not been for the death of her husband, John Derek, last month she probably wouldn't have returned to work. Derek, 41, who starred 20 years ago in Blake Edwards's comedy classic '10," makes her first foray into series television as the newly widowed ma-triarch in NBC's "Wind on Water." "I was never very ambitious, which used to drive John crazy, " she says. "Especially after '10," when I could have done

money I would never work again. Now the weirdest thing is that I'm going back to work playing a widow when I had no idea I would be one."

More than 400 films from 60 coun-World Film Festival, beginning Thursday with Robert Lepage's "No." Other entries include the Israeli director Shimon Dotan's "You Can Thank Me Later," starning Ellen Burstyn, and "Southie," directed by John Shea, as well as a tribute to the Swedish director Ingmar Bergman.

The organizers had hoped to attract more than 15,000 participants, but only a few hundred turned up in the rain for a charity walk along the London streets that the coffin of Diana, Princess of Wales, traveled on Sept. 6 before it was taken to her ancestral home for burial.

Two Tennessee women have returned

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home from an around-the-world flight in a single-engine plane — 49 days and 15,000 miles after they took off. "This exceeded my dreams," said Nikki Mitchell. Mitchell and Rhonda Miles

flew across the Atlantic to Moscow, where they joined two female Russian pilots to trace a nonstop trip that three Soviet woman made from Moscow to the southeastern tip of Siberia in 1938.

## Babies on the Way? More Spice Girls Rumors

ONDON — First they were five. Then Ginger quit and they were four. Now reports that two more Baby Spices are on the way suggest that Girl

Power may be on the way out. The Spice Girls, Britain's big pop phenomenon, were mearing the end of a United States tour on Monday and keeping mum about reports that two of their number are pregnant. But nods and winks back home about babies on the way for Victoria (Posh Spice) Adams and Mel (Scary Spice) Brown cast doubt on the long-term future of the group, which has sold 30 million albums worldwide and topped the charts in more than 40 countries.

"The double pregnancy will give the band a good excuse to call it a day quietly without losing any face," said one music industry insider.

The Spice Girls are just recovering from the departure in June of Gen (Ginger Spice) Halliwell, who was credited with being the driving force behind

Spice Girls publicists on Monday shrugged off speculation that the group's demise was imminent. The band returns to Britain in September to play three more concerts and will then record an album.



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